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Preface

Many organizations require continuous operation of their mission-critical, IBM® FileNet® P8 systems after a failure has occurred. A failure can be caused by relatively small equipment problems, or a large-scale disaster such as a flood, earthquake, hazardous attacks, or other unexpected events. Loss of system resources and services as a result of any failure can translate directly into lost customers and lost revenue. The goal, therefore, is to design and implement a FileNet P8 system that ensures continuous operation even after a failure happens. A combination of techniques and practices that are available to design and implement such a system fall into two main categories:

- ► High availability: The ability to maintain operations by eliminating single points of failure in hardware or software, generally with zero data loss
- Disaster recovery: The ability to resume operations after a larger-scale failure and minimize business data loss

This IBM Redbooks® publication focuses on FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 systems disaster recovery. The book covers strategies, preparation levels, site sizing, data replication, testing, and what to do during a disaster. Backup and restore planning is a critical aspect of a disaster recovery strategy. We discuss backup types and strategies. We also discuss alternative strategies such as rolling storage policies and IBM FlashCopy® capability.

In addition, with the help of use cases and our lab testing environment, the book has the following information:

- ► Guidelines for setting up a FileNet P8 production environment, and steps for setting up, configuring, and activating a standby FileNet P8 disaster recovery system.
- Detail steps for configuring and executing the backup and recovery of a FileNet P8 environment, using IBM Tivoli® Storage Manager.

The core FileNet P8 data components we discuss for backup and data replication include:

- Content Engine
- Process Engine
- Application Engine (Workplace XT)
- Content Search Engine
- Image Services

We explain data relationship and dependencies of these core components and the specific data that require backing up and replication. We also provide detailed steps involved in validating the FileNet P8 system, including how to test the internal health and consistency of each core component and the consistency between the components, after a disaster recovery.

Finally, we introduce IBM Information Archive, and give procedures for using it to provide a FileNet P8 fixed storage area.

This book is intended for IT architects, IT specialists, project managers, and decision makers, who must identify the best disaster recovery strategies and integrate them into the FileNet P8 system design process.

For more about high availability strategies, options, and implementations for FileNet P8 systems, see *IBM High Availability Solution for IBM FileNet P8 Systems*, SG24-7700. It can help you gain comprehensive understanding of how to best protect your business operation.

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Part 1

Concept and overview

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Introducing disaster recovery

This chapter provides an overview of disaster recovery (DR), and contrasts disaster recovery with high availability (HA). We show that various levels of disaster recovery preparation can be implemented. These different levels are described and guidelines are provided for choosing the level appropriate for each business situation.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Business continuity
- Defining disaster recovery and basic terminology
- Data replication for disaster recovery
- Backups as part of a disaster recovery plan
- Choosing a disaster recovery strategy
- Disaster recovery testing
- Disaster recovery site sizing
- ► Declaring a disaster

1.1 Business continuity

Business continuity is a set of practices and procedures that are intended to enable a business to continue its data processing operations after a failure has occurred. A business data processing failure can be caused by relatively small equipment failures, such as an Ethernet card outage, or by large-scale disasters such as a flood, earthquake, hazardous attacks, or other unexpected events. Because of the wide range of possible failures, a single solution covering all of these possibilities is usually not optimal. Instead, a range of techniques is used. Generally, these practices are two main categories:

- ► High availability: The ability to maintain operations by eliminating single points of failure in hardware or software, generally with zero data loss
- Disaster recovery: The ability to resume operations after a larger-scale failure while minimizing business data loss

1.2 Defining disaster recovery and basic terminology

Disaster recovery is the set of equipment and practices that allows a business to recover its operations after a disaster strikes. We define a disaster in this context as an unexpected event which disrupts normal data processing operations for an entire data center, or at least for a set of servers that collectively provides a data processing service.

Recovery of the service or data center can be performed at the original site. You employ this strategy if the nature of the disaster is not permanently destructive to the site and its equipment. For example, loss of all network connectivity, or of electrical power, for a prolonged time period can be considered a disaster, and can warrant switching to an alternate site if one is available. Another option can be simply to wait until the problem has been resolved. In the end, the original data center's operations can be resumed, perhaps with no loss of data. Loss of data, for example caused by an extensive equipment failure, can be remediated on-site by recovering from backup tapes. The time to recover in such a situation is the time to acquire and install replacement hardware, plus the time to retrieve the backup media and perform a full restore from it. Businesses that cannot tolerate such prolonged service outages must consider a more extensive disaster recovery strategy as discussed in this chapter.

1.2.1 Disaster recovery contrasted with high availability

High availability means having redundant hardware and software so that normal operations can continue after a single failure has occurred. Ideally, single failures do not interrupt operations at all, meaning that multiple instances of each component must be operational at all times so that the remaining component (or components) can take over the full load when any one component fails. In hardware devices, redundancy can be achieved by having redundant components within a single unit, or by having more than one unit installed and operational. If software redundancy is achieved by running the software simultaneously on more than one hardware device, the configuration is called <code>active/active</code>, because both components, or both units, are active at the same time. For this approach to be effective, the remaining components must be able handle the entire workload if a single component fails. The alternative approach for high availability is an <code>active/passive</code> configuration, in which the redundant component is not in use during normal operations but can be brought online if the component it is backing up fails.

For an entire operation to be considered highly available, every possible single point of failure must be addressed, either by an active/active or active/passive solution. Data storage is usually on a device that has internal high availability features, such as redundant disk drives, power supplies, and network connections. The drives are usually deployed in a Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) configuration, as a RAID configuration gives the best combination of availability and performance. Effectively, there is one copy of the data at the primary site.

A *disaster* is any failure, or combination of failures, that goes beyond the single points of failure that high availability techniques would address. A disaster can result from as little as simultaneous failures of all the redundant components, all the way up to a large scale outage caused by an earthquake. In contrast with high availability, a disaster prevents operation of an entire data processing service, or of the entire data center, rather than crippling the operation of a single component. Disasters, in contrast with high availability concerns, threaten either data access or permanent loss of data, and recovery from a disaster often involves restoration of the data at a future time, often at a data center that is remote from the original one.

In a high availability solution, recovering from a single component failure is usually low cost and relatively quick, or instantaneous in the case of active/active redundancy. However, disasters can result in the total loss of the data center. Therefore, disaster recovery is a much more time-consuming operation and can result in data loss. As a result, most data centers are reluctant to put their disaster recovery plans into action if it can be avoided. An example of such a situation is the loss of network connectivity to the primary data center. For high

availability purposes, perhaps two separate service providers and cables are used, but an outage of both connections simultaneously is not impossible. In this case, the data center manager would want to confirm that the outages are expected to last for some time before making the decision to attempt a disaster recovery. Alternatively, other types of disasters can physically destroy the equipment at the data center. In this case, declare a disaster immediately so you can begin the recovery process and restore service as quickly as possible.

1.2.2 Disaster recovery terminology

The following terms are used throughout this book in discussing disaster recovery processes and procedures:

- ▶ Recovery point objective (RPO): The RPO is the maximum amount of data that the business can tolerate losing if a disaster occurs. The RPO is measured in terms of time. As an example, a data center with a one-hour RPO experiences a disaster at 3:00 p.m. which causes permanent loss of all equipment in the data center. In this case, all data changes through at least 2:00 p.m. the same afternoon will be available after the recovery has been accomplished so that no more than one hour's worth of new data or data updates is lost.
- Recovery time objective (RTO): The RTO is the amount of time that passes from the time a disaster strikes until data center operations have resumed and recovery is complete.
- Primary (or production) data center or site: The primary data center is the location that houses the equipment used during normal operations.
- Recovery (or backup or disaster) data center or site: The recovery data center is another data center, separate and remote from the primary center, at which operations can be resumed in the event of the loss of the primary center. The recovery center can be owned directly, or it can be a time-shared lease of equipment from a third party.
- ► Fail over or failover: When a failure at the primary data center forces a transfer of operations to a recovery site, operations are said to fail over, and the process of failing over is known as a failover.
- ► Fail back or failback: Some time after a fail over, operations at the primary data center can be restored, or the primary center can be rebuilt. Then, you might want to transfer operations from the recover center back to the primary center. Similar to a failover, this operation is called failback, and the act of executing it is known as failing back.

- ► (Data) replication: This technique provides current, or nearly current, data at a recovery site by copying data from the primary site to the recovery site on a continuous basis. Several variations of data replication are described in 1.3, "Data replication for disaster recovery" on page 7.
- Service level agreement (SLA): Part of a service contract that specifies a level of service that is to be provided. Data center SLAs typically specify items such as average or maximum response time, uptime (or maximum unexpected downtime), and RPO and RTO values.

1.2.3 Common disaster scenarios and their implications

The goal of a successful disaster recovery initiative is to eliminate a corporation's exposure to risk, regardless of circumstance. Although natural disasters can be a contributing factor, human error presents a far greater risk to data center availability. Many natural disasters are capable of temporarily or permanently preventing data center operations, including:

- ► Floods
- Earthquakes
- Wildfires
- ▶ Hurricanes
- Tornados

In addition, many possible man-made disasters exist as in the following examples:

- Construction accidents, including digging up network or power cables
- ► War
- ► Fire
- ► Engineering or equipment failures
- Human error, such as accidental deletion of important files
- Sabotage

1.3 Data replication for disaster recovery

Generally, four mechanisms are available for performing data replication. The difference between them is the level at which the replication is performed within the hardware and software stack:

- ► Application level: generally not available in FileNet P8 products, but available in most database products, including IBM DB2® product.
- ► Host level: Replication implemented by a software layer running on the host operating system.

- Storage level: Data replication done by the storage device itself, typically to another device of the same model. The ability to perform replication can be a feature or an option for the storage device.
- Network level: Similar to storage-level replication. A device on the storage area network (SAN) intercepts device writes and replicates them to a corresponding SAN device at a remote site.

In addition to this general hierarchy, other differences exist between these replication mechanisms, which we describe next.

Database level replication is generally implemented to work between one instance of the database product and another, remote instance. The replication is done in a transactional fashion, meaning that at any instant, the state of the remote database is consistent. That database can therefore be started very quickly if a failover must be performed. In contrast with other replication mechanisms, it can be necessary to perform roll forward operations on the database to bring it up to the most recently replicated transaction before it can be brought online. This feature of database-to-database replication can be important for businesses whose recovery time objective is very stringent. Because the database replication is performed independently of content data replication, the two might not necessarily be in sync at the recovery site at the moment of a disaster. See 1.3.2, "Write order fidelity" on page 10, for further discussion of this topic.

Host-level replication can work at the file or at the block level. At the file level, the software typically copies newly created or modified files to the remote host when the file is closed. With block-level replication, when a block is written to the local disk, it is also written to the remote site's disk. When file-level replication is implemented, the local and remote file systems do not have to be identical at the device-block level, if they contain the same files at the file-system level. In contrast, with block-level replication, the local and remote file systems must be the same block-for-block so that updates to a given block can be replicated to the identical block on the remote site's disk.

The remaining two replication mechanisms, storage level and network level, have similar characteristics. Replication is done at the block level, because the devices are unaware of the file system that is built by the operating system on the volume being replicated.

With most block level replication mechanisms, if a disaster strikes the primary site and a failover is performed, check the consistency of the file system on the remote volumes before they can be mounted and brought online is necessary. The condition of the remote volume when replication is cut off by the disaster is exactly analogous to the condition of a local disk if a power failure or operating system crash occurs. Because blocks are cached in RAM by the operating

system for performance reasons, and only later written to the physical device, the state of the file system on disk can contain inconsistencies. Trying to use such a volume can lead to further data corruption and operating system crashes. We refer to recovering from such a state as a *crash recovery*, even if it results from a disaster, communication failure, or some other reason besides an actual operating system crash. The time needed to check the file system for consistency must be accounted for when considering how to meet a stated recovery time objective.

One exception to the rule (that storage level replication requires a file system check at the remote site before recovery can proceed) is when a network-attached storage (NAS) device performs replication through snapshots. In this case, the NAS gateway is responsible for the file system on the underlying device and is aware of data blocks that have not yet been written to disk when performing replication. In this approach, the NAS gateway takes a periodic snapshot of the contents of the volume and replicate that snapshot to the remote site, while simultaneously continuing to accept changes to the primary volume from the client machines. This approach has the advantage that recovery does not require a file system consistency check, but the disadvantage is that the snapshots and replication activities can only be done on a periodic basis; block-level replication can be done on a continual basis. So, although recovery time is reduced, the RPO might have to be increased. For instance, if the snapshots are taken every 15 minutes, the RPO cannot be smaller than this length of time.

1.3.1 Synchronous and asynchronous replication

Block-level replication can be performed synchronously or asynchronously. Using storage level replication as an example, *synchronous replication* means that before the device returns a result to the operating system in response to a block write, it also writes the block to the corresponding remote device, and the remote device commits the block to the physical media. Synchronous replication provides the smallest recovery point, potentially zero data loss, because every write to the local device involves a write to the remote device as well. Data loss can still occur during file system and application level consistency checking, however, if the state of the disk at the crash recovery point contained only a portion of a transaction that was being committed.

Latency is the length of time for an individual packet to traverse the network from sender to receiver. It includes processing time within the hardware devices and the operating systems, and it also includes the time that the packets are traveling between the sites. Even the fastest network connection, typically a fiber optic network, cannot send data faster than the speed of light. However, do not confuse latency with bandwidth. Bandwidth is the overall rate at which data can

be transmitted over the network. Networks can offer high bandwidth and still have a relatively high latency; the two network characteristics are only loosely related to each other.

The time required to do a single block write with synchronous replication enabled is most likely longer than the time required simply to do the local write. The local write and the remote write can be launched in parallel with each other, but the remote write is likely to take much longer than the local one because of latency of communications between the local site and the recovery site. Most likely the write itself takes about the same time on the recovery storage device as on the local one. The latency involved is doubled because the request first has to be sent from the local site to the remote one, then the remote write is executed, and then a response is sent from the recovery site back to the primary site. If the average write time is 10 ms, and the latency between the sites in one direction is also 10 ms, a write that would take only 10 ms to execute locally requires 30 ms if synchronous replication is in use.

In contrast to synchronous replication, *asynchronous replication* means that every time a block of data is written to the local device, a request to write the same data to the corresponding block at the recovery site is queued up. However, a response is returned to the requesting local operating system immediately after the local write has been accomplished, letting the software proceed in its processing without having to wait through the additional latency introduced by a synchronous write to a distant storage device.

In general, manufacturers of replication technology recommend that synchronous replication be used between sites that are no more than about 100 km (60 miles) apart. However, products such as the IBM Metro Mirror synchronous replication product allow the distance between the sites to be as great as 300 km (180 miles). Distances greater than this limit can introduce too much latency, and write performance can be seriously compromised. In such situations, use asynchronous replication.

1.3.2 Write order fidelity

A FileNet P8 deployment contains many storage areas that must be synchronized with each other. For example, if a Process Engine workflow is creating, modifying, or deleting Content Engine content or metadata, backing up and restoring the underlying databases and file storage areas together so that they stay in sync with one another is necessary.

Similarly, when doing replication, the data that is written to local disks must be written to the remote disks in the same order. With synchronous replication, the correct ordering of the writes is necessarily the case; with asynchronous replication, a possibility is that the disk writes at the remote site cannot be made

in the same order as the local writes. Out-of-order write operations are particularly likely if more than one storage device is in use, and the storage devices are performing storage level replication. Replication of the blocks in the same chronological order in which they were written is called *write order fidelity*.

Most databases allow the tables, indexes, and other on-disk files to be spread across multiple logical unit numbers (LUNs) for better I/O performance. When the database files do not all reside within the same LUN, they must be backed up together to ensure consistency, and they must be replicated with write order fidelity to ensure that the database at the recovery site is able to start in a consistent state.

In an active/active high availability configuration, more than one Content Engine is in use. In this case, the storage areas must be made available to all the Content Engines in the farm (application server cluster), typically accomplished with the use of an NAS gateway device. In this situation, host-level or software replication cannot be used because the software running on each host knows only about the files that have been created or modified by that host. It does not know about files modified by other hosts in the farm. Although each system can still do file-level replication, no mechanism exists for providing write order fidelity.

Certain storage devices provide the ability to preserve write order fidelity even across separate storage devices. When writes to separate LUNs are combined in time order, that group of LUNs is referred to as a *consistency group*. In the case of LUNs spread across multiple frames, the storage devices communicate with each other to ensure that the queue of asynchronous replication data is maintained in chronological order. Another approach to achieving write order fidelity is to use network-level replication because the device at the SAN level is aware of all writes to all devices within the SAN fabric. Thus, it can ensure that the blocks are replicated in the correct order to the storage devices at the recovery site.

When using more than one replication system it is not possible to preserve write order fidelity across all the replicas. For example, certain sites use database-level replication for the database, and use storage-level replication for the file storage areas and other data that resides outside the database. Although this approach means that the database can be recovered quickly if a disaster failover is necessary, it also means that there can be synchronization problems between the file storage areas and the metadata of the Content Engine, between the Content Engine and the Process Engine's database, between the Content Engine and the Content Search Engine's collections (index files). If, for example, a metadata row exists in an object store's database, but the corresponding content file is not in the file storage area, users attempting to retrieve that document receive an error. This situation is known as a *widow*. In the opposite case, the content file can exist in the file storage area, but without the

corresponding metadata row in the database, that content is essentially inaccessible to users. This case is called an *orphan*. Such inconsistencies between the metadata and the content data are in general referred to as a *broken document*. This subject is covered in more detail in Chapter 4, "FileNet P8 data relationships and dependencies" on page 67.

The Content Engine provides a Consistency Checker that can find all widows, but it cannot identify orphans, and there is no easy way to find content within a file storage area that does not have corresponding metadata in the database.

In summary, the most common causes of lack of write order fidelity are as follows:

- Using database replication for the database but storage or network replication for the file storage area
- Using a mix of different devices
- Using storage-level replication with devices that cannot preserve write order fidelity across LUNs

1.3.3 Initializing replication

When first configuring data replication for disaster recovery, a very large amount of data must be copied from the primary storage system to the storage system at the recovery site. If the primary site has been in operation for some time, the volume of data can potentially be more than a terabyte.

The simplest way to establish the initial mirroring of the storage is to configure each site, establish data communications between the sites, and initiate replication. If the communications channel between the sites is appropriately sized for the rate at which data normally changes on the primary site, the bandwidth is grossly undersized for the purposes of establishing the initial mirror. An undersized communications channel can cause the initialization time to be on the order of months. Alternatively, sizing the communications channel, based on the speed that is required for the initial synchronization, leaves it with a great amount of excess capacity after the initial mirror is established.

Several methods of establishing the initial mirror exist. The preferred method is to bring the recovery storage devices into the primary data center, so that the initial mirror can be established over a LAN connection. Then, mirroring can be suspended while the device is transported to the actual recovery site, after which replication can be resumed.

If temporarily moving the recovery storage device to the primary site is not possible, an alternative (if it is supported by the replication software) is to take an image backup of the primary storage volumes, deliver the tapes to the recovery

site, and perform a full restoration of the volumes there. If the volumes are identical in size and the restore operation has been done on a block-level basis, the restoration replication can be enabled with the initialization step. Not all replication software supports this approach or requires this feature. Consult your documentation to determine the exact steps to use.

1.3.4 IBM products for data replication

IBM provides several products that are related to data replication for disaster recovery.

IBM System Storage DSx000

For the IBM System Storage® DSx000 SAN, both synchronous and asynchronous replication are supported with the following solutions:

- Metro Mirror is a synchronous replication solution. It is intended for use within a metropolitan area, over a distance of up to 300 KM (180 miles).
- ► Global Mirror is an asynchronous replication solution. It can be used over any distance, because network latency is not an issue with its use. To be able to transport the amount of data that is being created or modified at the primary site over time, sufficient network bandwidth is required.

For more information about IBM system storages, see the following publications:

- ► IBM Midrange System Storage Hardware Guide, SG24-7676
- ► IBM System Storage DS8000: Architecture and Implementation, SG24-6786
- ► IBM System Storage DS8000: Copy Services in Open Environments, SG24-6788
- ► IBM System Storage DS8700: Architecture and Implementation, SG24-8786

IBM System Storage N Series

IBM System Storage N-Series supports the <code>SnapMirror</code>® feature, which allows a volume to be replicated between N series storage system over a network. It uses FlexVol® and FlexClone®, the ability to make near-instantaneous snapshots of data volumes. SnapMirror works by taking snapshots and replicating the snapshots to the recovery site, using data compression of up to 70%. The failover and failback procedures can be automated. SnapMirror supports three mode of operation: asynchronous, synchronous, and semi-synchronous mode.

For more information about IBM System Storage N Series, see *IBM System Storage N Series*, SG24-7129.

IBM SAN Volume Controller (SVC)

The SVC provides network-level replication. SVC is a device that combines storage capacity from multiple disk systems into a reservoir of capacity that can be managed more efficiently. It can cache writes from hosts and acknowledge them before the data has actually been stored on the destination device, accelerating writes to the SAN volumes. SVC can use Metro Mirror or Global Mirror capabilities to replicate SAN volumes to a recovery site, and because it has global visibility of the SAN volumes and updates to them, it can create consistency groups that span separate hardware frames, even if the frames are from separate storage vendors.

For more information about IBM SAN Volume Controller, see *Implementing the IBM System Storage SAN Volume Controller V5.1*, SG24-6423.

IBM software

IBM provides the following software that can automate disaster recovery failover,:

- High-Availability Cluster Multi-Processing/Extended Distance (HACMP/XD)
- Geographically Dispersed Open Clusters (GDOC)

IBM Information Archive

IBM Information Archive is an integrated information-retention appliance. It includes preinstalled servers, disk storage, and the Information Archive software.

The Information Archive appliance offers secure, cost-effective storage that can implement a variety of policies for document access, retention, deletion, and provides a single point from which to manage the whole system.

Optional features include *Enhanced Remote Mirroring* for disaster recovery, high-availability server configurations, and migration from disk to tape storage.

Information Archive features

IBM Information Archive has the following features and functionalities:

- Provides information through multiple access methods such as file (for example, NFS) and System Storage Archive Manager (for example, the Tivoli Storage Manager API).
- Supports security by encryption options and a special Enhanced Tamper Protection feature which prevents system super user accounts from inappropriately modifying data.
- Offers universal storage repository for all types of content, structured and unstructured, compliant and non-compliant.

- ► Can accommodate several hundred terabytes of raw storage, and can store and manage multiple billions of documents over its deployment lifetime.
- Maintains data integrity until deletion is permitted by retention policy.
- ► Helps optimize storage consumption with data deduplication and compression features.
- Offers low total cost of ownership (TCO) by allowing use of mixed media (disk and tape).
- ► Has time-based and event-based information retention policies.

Information Archive as a FileNet P8 fixed content device

FileNet P8 stores document content in a file storage area. File storage areas can be implemented in several ways, including by writing to an archiving storage system. Such file storage areas are called *fixed storage areas*.

Information Archive supports access to its storage through the Tivoli Storage Manager System Storage Archive Manager (SSAM) interface. Content Engine supports Tivoli Storage Manager as a fixed storage area. To use an Information Archive appliance as a FileNet P8 fixed storage area, configure both Information Archive and Content Engine to use Tivoli Storage Manager. For specific details about how to do this, see Chapter 11, "Working with IBM Information Archive" on page 315.

For additional information, go to the following Web address:

http://www.ibm.com/systems/storage/disk/archive/index.html

Support for Tivoli Storage Manager as a fixed content provider is available from Content Engine Version 4.5.1. Details of the versions required are available from the FileNet P8 Hardware and Software requirements guides at:

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3278&uid=swg27013654

1.3.5 Disaster recovery site location best practices

The basic choices regarding location of a disaster recovery site, in order of cost, are as follows:

- ► Choice 1: Buy new hardware, as needed, replace your data center, and restore your data from backup tapes.
- ► Choice 2: Rent availability services.
- ► Choice 3: Own a second data center in the same metropolitan area as the primary data center.
- ► Choice 4: Own a second data center located far from the primary data center.

In choice 1 that relies on your backup tape, your on-going costs are simply to create timely backups and ensure that your backup tapes are kept off-site. The recovery time can range from weeks to months before you can resume operations. Many companies cannot endure more than few days of IT system downtime. Some companies have declared bankruptcy after they experience IT system outage for less than a week. For these reasons, most companies choose one of the higher-cost solutions, because the companies realize that they cannot afford a prolonged data-processing outage.

In choice 2 that relies on renting availability service, you sign a contract with one of various availability service providers. In your contract, you agree on the specification of the equipment that is to be provided to you in the case of a disaster, and the conditions under which you are entitled to use that equipment (how frequently you can perform failover testing, the circumstances under which you can declare a disaster, how long you can use the equipment in the case of a disaster). This solution costs less than choices 3 and 4, and still gives you the ability to recover much more quickly than choice 1 because replacement hardware does not have to be procured and configured.

IBM offers Infrastructure Recovery Services, which uses 154 IBM business resilience centers in 55 countries to help recover client environments. For more information, go to the following Web address:

http://www.ibm.com/services/us/index.wss/offerfamily/bcrs/a1026935

The savings realized from renting available services comes with compromises:

- ➤ You lose control of your recovery equipment and data center, because you are renting equipment in a shared environment.
- ► Recovery time is considerably longer compared with a failover to a recovery center that you control, and to which you have been replicating data on a continuous basis. You are likely to have to recover from backup tapes, which is a lengthy process in itself. Furthermore, you must notify the service provider that you are declaring a disaster and transport your tapes and personnel to their data center, before you can begin the recovery process. Recovery time in this case ranges from days to possibly several weeks.
- ➤ You do not have an absolute guarantee of equipment availability. Because the equipment is shared, if more than one customer, sharing a piece of equipment, declares a disaster, the first customer to declare disaster usually gets the use of the equipment.
- ► There can be a time limit on how long you can use the equipment after it is allocated to you. You have only that length of time to restore or rebuild your primary data center and prepare to move operations back to it.

Choices 3 and 4 both involve owning and operating your own disaster recovery data center. These options are more expensive on an on-going basis than either backups alone or a time-shared recovery data center, but they also have the most significant advantages:

- ► Recovery time is minimal if continual data replication has been in place.
- After operating from the disaster site, you can continue to do so for as long as you want. You do not have to give up the equipment after any predetermined amount of time, giving you the maximum flexibility in planning the restoration of your primary data center.

Many companies already operate more than one data center within the same metropolitan area for a variety of business purposes. These companies might be tempted to use the existing data centers as recovery data centers for the following reasons:

- Costs are low because the other data center is already in operation.
- The proximity of the data centers makes it convenient for personnel to work at both sites.
- Replication can be synchronous, leading to very little or zero data loss in the event of a disaster.

Using a nearby data center for a disaster recovery center might not be considered the best practice. As listed in 1.2.3, "Common disaster scenarios and their implications" on page 7, many types of disasters can affect both data centers within a single metropolitan area. Furthermore, IT staff who service nearby data centers also represent a single point of failure themselves for those sites, because the same staff services both sites. If the staff members are unable to reach either site after a local disaster, both sites are in jeopardy of being unavailable. For these reasons, consider locating a recovery site several hundred miles (or more) from the primary site to be outside the impact zone of any possible disaster.

Another common mistake made by businesses planning for business continuity is to try to use a disaster recovery strategy as their high availability strategy. The time and cost required to do a failover, especially when the recovery site is far from the primary site, is considerable, and data loss can occur. High availability solutions, aimed at being able to recover quickly, or instantaneously, from a single component failure, generally involve having redundant hardware and software components at the primary site. Because best practice is to locate a recovery site at a significant distance, typically 650 km (400 miles) or more, from the primary site, network latency prevents using hardware at the disaster recovery site as redundant components for the primary site, or running this equipment in an active/active mode.

Having a second data center has a potential advantage of operational maintenance. When one site is down for maintenance, the other site can continue to offer services. However, their configuration might compromises high availability because of the additional complexity of two sites instead of one, and compromises disaster recovery by close enough to each other to both be lost in the same disaster.

1.3.6 Using a bunker (three-way replication) site

As discussed earlier, a best practice is to locate a recovery center far from the primary data center. Doing so means that replication necessarily is asynchronous, and that introduces the possibility of data loss in the event of the loss of the primary data center. The alternative of locating the recovery center close to the primary center eliminates or minimizes the possibility of data loss because it enables the use of synchronous replication. However, it greatly increases the chances that a single disaster disables or destroys both the primary and the recovery center.

Businesses with stringent RTO and RPO values of less than a day must consider data replication to a dedicated remote disaster recovery site. Recovering from backups without data replication can take days to weeks, depending on the amount of data, the number of backup media needing to be restored, and other characteristics of the backup technology. For this type of business, the possibility of any data loss must be eliminated if at all possible. The solution is to use three-way replication with a *bunker site*. A bunker site is a small data center located within the same metropolitan area as the primary data center. Data is replicated synchronously from the primary site to the bunker site. The equipment at the bunker site is configured to replicate asynchronously to the disaster recovery site that is located a great distance away. After a particular block of data has been replicated from the bunker site to the recovery site, it is no longer needed at the bunker site. Therefore, the storage requirements at the bunker site are much smaller than the requirements at the full recovery site.

Two possible outcomes exist when using a three -way replication configuration:

- ▶ If a disaster strikes the primary site, but not the bunker site, eventually all changes made at the primary site will be replicated to the recovery site. At that point, the recovery site can be brought up and resume operations with no data loss. In this case, the bunker site has eliminated the data loss that would have occurred had only a distant recovery site, with asynchronous replication, been in use.
- ▶ If the disaster affects both the primary and the bunker sites, the recovery site is in the same state as though a bunker site had not been used; certain data is lost, but operations can resume relatively quickly. Therefore in this case, the results are no worse than if the bunker site had not been in use.

Thus, the use of a bunker site gives the optimum possible results in the event of any possible disaster. Fortunately, the cost of establishing the bunker site is much less than that of establishing and maintaining the full recovery site, because the bunker site only requires communication equipment and sufficient storage to buffer data between the synchronous and asynchronous replications. It does not require all the other host computers that would be required to be able to bring up operations, so the size and equipment costs for establishing the bunker site are minimized.

Figure 1-1 illustrates a three-way replication configuration, with Site 1 being the primary site, Site 2 being the bunker site (both within the same metropolitan area) and Site 3 being the remote recovery site.

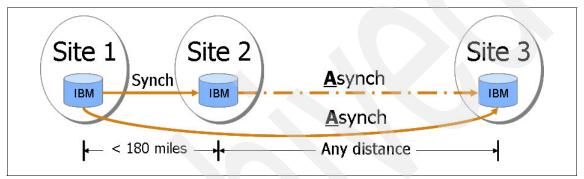


Figure 1-1 Bunker site configuration

1.4 Backups as part of a disaster recovery plan

Backups are the foundation of any disaster recovery plan. Replication of data to storage devices at a remote site is a form of backup, but it does not take the place of performing traditional backups, for a number of reasons:

Consistency: Because of its nature, data replication at the disk-block level cannot guarantee from instant to instant that the data at the recovery site is in a consistent state. Similarly, by their nature, backups cannot be performed very frequently, because doing so requires halting, at least for a short time window, the operation of the application software. The inconsistencies that are possible with data replication can be at the file system level, at the application level, or both. The benefit that we receive in tolerating these possible inconsistencies is that we gain the ability to recover data that is more recent than the most recent backup. If a disaster is declared, but the system cannot be brought up by using the data on the recovery site's storage devices, recovery must then be performed by using backup tapes.

- Recover to multiple points in time: With data replication, the recovery storage devices contain a recent (or possibly identical, in the case of synchronous replication) copy of the data from the primary site. From the perspective of recovering from a disaster with the least data loss, this solution is ideal. However, backup tapes are often used for other purposes, such as recovering files that users have deleted accidentally. More important, any accidents or sabotage that happen at the primary site quickly replicate to the recovery site. Examples of this type of event include an accidental deletion of files in a file storage area by an administrator, the introduction of a virus that infects files in the primary site, and so on. After these changes are replicated to the recovery site, recovery from the event is impossible by using only the recovery site's data storage; recovery from backup tapes is required.
- Cost: Being able to perform backups typically involves cheaper hardware than data replication, and the cost of the media is such that multiple backups can be retained to allow for multiple point-in-time restorations.

For these reasons, a best practice is to perform regular backups that are guaranteed to be consistent. Another best practice is for the backups to cover multiple points in time. Do not simply keep the most recent backup tapes and overwrite all previous ones. The exact retention schedule must be determined based on the needs of each business.

The backup media does not have to be tapes, but it must be transportable so that the backups can be taken off-site. If the backups are kept on-site they are subject to the same disasters that might affect the site itself (such as flood, fire, and earthquake). As with data replication for disaster recovery, testing recovery from backups is necessary. Without testing, you might miss backing up key pieces of data; when a disaster occurs, the backup might be useless and business might not recover from the disaster.

For more information about backup and restore, see Chapter 2, "Introducing backup and restore" on page 29.

1.5 Choosing a disaster recovery strategy

Choosing an appropriate disaster recovery strategy for a business requires striking a balance between cost and service. This relationship is illustrated in Figure 1-2.

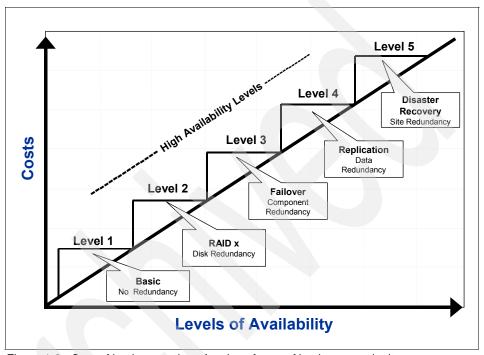


Figure 1-2 Cost of implementation of various forms of business continuity

The first step in planning a business availability and continuity strategy is to establish RPO and RTO values. These values are determined by the needs of the business. After values are established, they determine which strategies a business follows in its disaster preparations.

In general, the first line of defense is a regular program of backups, as discussed in the previous section. Beyond backups, most businesses choose to implement a high availability strategy before considering a data replication system for disaster recovery. The probability of the occurrence of a single hardware or software failure is much greater than the probability of the total loss of a data center, and with regular backups, the latter is also covered, but with the possibility of losing the data that was entered between the most recent backup and the time of the disaster. Only businesses with very stringent RPO values must consider data replication to a dedicated remote disaster recovery site.

1.6 Disaster recovery testing

After you have set up a disaster recovery site and replicated your production data to the recovery site, you must test that you can actually bring up the software at the recovery site. Doing so verifies that you are replicating all the necessary files. A good practice is to perform periodic tests (every six months) of the recovery site in this manner.

As mentioned previously, a good practice is to perform a full restore operation from backup tapes, and to verify that you can bring up the software with the restored data. Fully testing the restoration process verifies that all necessary files are backed up, and that the backup and restore procedures are correct. If a disaster occurs, you can be confident that a full restore can be done from tape if necessary. Although you can use the hardware at the recovery site to do this testing, a consequence is that, unless you have sufficient free disk space, you must break the replication process and start it over again. This approach creates a window of time during which you cannot fail over to the disaster recovery site, except by doing a tape restore.

Certain businesses test their recovery site and failover capabilities by actually performing a clean failover, as described in 1.8.2, "Basic failover steps" on page 26, running their business for some time at the recovery site, then failing back to the primary site. This approach has the advantage that it also tests the failover and failback procedures. It has the downside that the business must have a downtime window during the failover. To ensure that no data is lost, the software at the primary site must be shut down, just as when doing a backup, and the replication process must be allowed to drain all the queued up data blocks at the primary site. Quiescing the disk storage is done to guarantee that the two sites are completely in sync with each other before performing the failover. After the failover has been accomplished and the software is brought up and verified at the recovery site, operations can resume against the recovery servers. This entire process means that the service is down for a considerable time, typically on the order of an hour or more.

Another consideration to take into account is whether the recovery site has the same complement of hardware as the primary site, as discussed in 1.7, "Disaster recovery site sizing" on page 23. If it does not, or you want to avoid the downtime required for a failover and later failback, you must use a different method of testing the recovery site that does not interrupt operations and does not run production operations at the recovery site at a time when the primary site is actually available.

The procedure for doing a test that does not interrupt production operations or disrupt the mirror volumes at the replication site is as follows:

- Create a space-efficient, flash copy of the volumes at the recovery site to which data is being replicated. The flash copy simulates the state that the recovery volumes would be in had a disaster happened at the instant that the flash copy is made. Be sure to copy all of the volumes required by the software as a single consistency group.
- Mount the flash copy volumes on the mount points where the data normally would be mounted.
- 3. Bring up the software and perform validation tests, described in Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263.
- 4. After you are satisfied that the recovery site is functioning correctly, shut down the software, unmount the flash copy volumes, and discard them.

1.7 Disaster recovery site sizing

The primary and disaster recovery data centers can be either symmetric or asymmetric site. In the most common case, *symmetric sites*, the equipment at the disaster recovery site is identical to that at the primary site. Using symmetric sites is the best practice approach because it ensures that even if operations have to be run from the recovery site for a prolonged period of time, the equipment is able to meet the demand just as the primary equipment did. Furthermore, assuming that the primary site was configured for high availability, the recovery site is similarly highly available.

Companies willing to risk these issues in exchange for the cost savings of not having to duplicate all equipment from the primary site at the recovery site choose to have an *asymmetric* recovery site. For example, if the primary site has two hosts for the Content Engine providing high availability of that service, the recovery site might have only one host. The analysis of the minimum required complement of equipment must be done very carefully before making the decision to have a smaller deployment at the recovery site than at the primary site. To use the example of a redundant Content Engine server, suppose the original purpose of the second Content Engine was only to provide high availability. It can be that, over time, utilization has increased to the point where the second host is required. It is easy not to notice that the desired utilization levels have been exceeded because the workload increases slowly, perhaps over several years. To have good response time characteristics, each server must be operating at no more than 60% of its CPU capacity, meaning that, roughly speaking, a redundant pair of servers for high availability must be operating at no

more than 30% of capacity, if they are backed up by a single replacement host at the recovery site.

Another frequent case is that companies use their recovery site hardware for other purposes during normal operations, usually for development or application testing. Using a disaster recovery site for an application different from the application at the production site is also possible. This application can either run in parallel with the production site's application, after a disaster at the production site, or might be a lower priority and therefore can be shut down to allow the production application to start in the event of a disaster at the production site. These are fine uses of hardware that otherwise would be idle most of the time. Be prepared to give up these activities for the duration of a failover to the recovery site, no matter how long operations must run at the alternate site. If your organization is not prepared to give up such activities for extended periods of time, additional capacity for the development and test activities or the other applications must be purchased rather than utilizing the hardware intended for disaster recovery. The cost savings of utilizing the recovery hardware for these other purposes during normal operations can allow the business to configure a symmetric recovery site. What is sacrificed during a disaster is not production capacity, as in the asymmetric case, but these other activities.

1.8 Declaring a disaster

The actual process of declaring a disaster, if it happens, is not as simple as it might first seem. A number of conflicting factors must be considered when making the decision to proceed with a failover, depending on the nature of the disaster; in other cases, the decision is completely clear.

Suppose, for instance, that you are the manager of a data center that has just lost power. Your SLA calls for unexpected downtime of no more than four hours. You telephone the power company, which estimates that power will be restored in three or more hours. You know from your prior testing that it takes two hours to bring up the software at the recovery site from the moment that you begin doing so, meaning that if you wait for power to be restored prior to your four-hour commitment, you will have insufficient time to bring up the recovery site and still meet your SLA. Alternatively, you also know from testing that you are likely to lose about 15 minutes of transactions if you do a failover, and you want to avoid that if possible. Under these circumstances, should you declare a disaster and commence the failover process, or should you wait for power to be restored, preserving all the transactions that have already been committed at the primary site?

1.8.1 Disaster recovery process: failing over

To the extent possible, your failover and failback processes must be automated, where possible by automating the procedures in programs or scripts that can be simply executed. Where steps cannot be automated, they must be part of a checklist that is kept available at the recovery site so that it can be followed by personnel at the time a disaster is declared. The checklist might consist of a single instruction, how to execute the automated failover procedure, or there may be no checklist at all, if the failover procedure is completely automatic. The extent to which failover is automated is determined by management.

The purpose of automating all of the procedures, particularly for failover, is that you do not want to be experimenting with your systems during a time of crisis. You want to be able to follow, exactly, a procedure that you have tested and know works correctly. This approach reduces recovery time and, more importantly, avoids the possibility of human errors that are more likely to happen in a panic situation. Airline pilots always follow a checklist before takeoffs, even though they have performed the same procedures hundreds of times. In contrast, your personnel have performed a failover very few times, and most likely only as part of a drill rather than in response to a real crisis.

Software, such as IBM HACMP/XD, is available that can automate the failover process. Because every disaster situation is likely to be different, most businesses choose not to have the failover process be completely automated. An automated system cannot take into account outside information, such as an estimate from the power company of when power can be restored, and can never make fully informed decisions. Furthermore, if the disaster site perceives that the primary site has gone down because the network link between the sites is disrupted, it can mistakenly initiate a failover while the primary site is still operational, leading to a *split brain* situation where both sites believe that they are the primary site. Obviously, a split brain condition is problematic because both sites can be processing transactions, leading to a situation where certain transactions are lost. For example, if communications are restored you might want to resume replication from the primary site to the recovery site, but what happens to the transactions that were committed to disk on the recovery site? Resuming replication overwrites those changes.

1.8.2 Basic failover steps

After a disaster is declared, there are several basic steps to execute to effect a failover.

If possible, you can perform a *clean failover*, which is a failover that guarantees no loss of data even when asynchronous replication is in use. To effect this type of failover, you must shut down the software at the primary site so that the storage is quiesced, just as when preparing to make a backup. Next, let the replication queue drain so that the recovery storage is synchronized with the primary storage. At this point, the contents of the storage at the primary site is identical to that at the recovery site, and the data is in a consistent state at the application level. Now follow the remaining steps, skipping any steps involving consistency checking because the storage is known to be consistent.

In the more common case, you fail over after replication has been cut off halfway through. Depending on the type of replication that you employ, you can first check the consistency of the file system.

At this time, you must remap your DNS entries to point to the equipment at the recovery site rather than to the hosts at the primary site, redirecting users to the Web tier, and also redirecting connections between the hosts forming the various tiers within the recovery data center. For example, the Content Engine normally attaches to databases, file storage areas, and fixed content devices running at the primary site. After you have failed over, all of these connections must be made to the equivalent hosts at the recovery data center. Remember that these hosts have IP addresses that differ from the original servers at the primary site. If possible, split the updates into internal updates and external updates so that you can do only the internal updates at this point.

To effect the DNS entry re-mapping, businesses typically use one of a several approaches:

- ▶ Update the existing DNS server (which cannot be located at the primary site and which is presumed to be down or inaccessible in the event of a failover).
- ▶ Use a geographic load balancer. In this approach, all references are normally set to go 100% of the time to the primary site and 0% of the time to the recovery site. When a disaster is declared, these values are reversed, so that all references are resolved to the IP addresses of the hosts at the recovery site.
- ▶ Update entries in the hosts file on each computer to override the DNS entries for internal hosts; use one of the other two techniques only for redirecting users to the recovery site. This approach is very useful in doing failover testing in which you want the primary site to continue operating and therefore you do not want to update all of the DNS entries.

After the DNS entries have been changed, the volumes can be mounted on the appropriate hosts and the software brought up for testing. Databases must be rolled forward to account for transactions logged but not yet committed, just as you would bring up the database after a system crash.

After the databases are operational, you can bring up the application software and perform validation steps as discussed in Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263. At this time, the software is ready for users to begin using it. External DNS updates must now be performed if they were not performed earlier.

1.8.3 Disaster recovery process: failing back

After you have declared a disaster and failed over to your recovery data center, you can run your operations from that site for an extended period of time. How you run your operations from your disaster recovery site depends on the nature of the disaster that struck the primary site. If the primary site was lost completely, you have to operate from the recovery site for many months while a new primary site is built, or you can permanently promote the recovery site to be your new primary site and build a new recovery site.

Assuming that you have reached the point where operations are to be shifted back to the primary site, perhaps after new equipment has been purchased, you are ready to execute a *failback* procedure. The exact steps that you must follow depend on how long you were operating from the recovery site and what the state of the primary site's storage is.

When the time spent executing at the recovery site is relatively short, the differences between the storage at the recovery site and that at the primary site are small. In this case, it is feasible to reverse the replication process and replicate from the recovery site back to the primary site. Suppose, for example, that a hurricane is approaching. You perform a controlled failover and operate from the recovery site. However, the hurricane does not strike your area, and the primary data center was spared any major damage. In such a case, you might be ready to resume operations there after only a day or two; performing failback by reversing the direction of the data replication process is appropriate.

In most cases, however, the storage at the primary site is either hopelessly out of sync with the recovery site, the exact synchronization not known (as when communications were cut off unexpectedly by loss of power or communications), or the storage at the primary site is new. In all of these cases, you must first synchronize the primary storage with the state of the recovery site's storage, using the same techniques, but in reverse, as discussed in 1.3.3, "Initializing replication" on page 12.

After the storage is synchronized completely, you can perform a controlled failback procedure:

- 1. Shut down the software.
- 2. Let the queue of blocks to be replicated drain so that the storage subsystems are completely synchronized.
- 3. Reverse the steps that were taken in performing the failover:
 - a. Restore the DNS settings to point to the primary site.
 - b. Mount the volumes at the primary site.
 - c. Bring up the software.
 - d. Resume replication from the primary site to the recovery site



Introducing backup and restore

In this chapter, we introduce backup and describe different backup modes and strategies available for backing up and restoring an IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 system.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- ► The importance of backup
- ► Backup components and storage location
- ► Backup modes
- Backup types
- Backup and restore window and scheduling
- Restoring a FileNet P8 system
- ► Tivoli Storage Manager overview

2.1 The importance of backup

Administrators might discover that they must restore their FileNet P8 systems to a previously known good state. Reasons for restoring might be, but are not limited to, the following factors:

- ▶ Inadvertent human error
- Hardware malfunction
- Malicious virus

For each reason and others, the resulting data loss might be a small percentage of the overall data being managed. However, the loss of data might result in additional costs to the business of loss in productivity and customer satisfaction, as well as company profit. In a disaster situation, an entire facility with all of the data therein, can be lost. Companies can potentially go out of business if they do not have a proper disaster recovery plan. Any disaster recovery plan must have at its foundation a good backup and restore strategy.

For these reasons, performing the following steps is necessary:

- Create regular backups of FileNet P8 data.
- 2. Test that the backups can be used to restore a working FileNet P8 system.
- 3. Keep the backup data off-site, away from the data center so that a localized disaster such as a fire does not destroy both the storage devices and the backups of those devices.

Data replication techniques for disaster recovery, described in 1.3, "Data replication for disaster recovery" on page 7, can be used to minimize the amount of data that could be lost in a disaster and the time required to restore operations. Businesses that employ data replication should also perform traditional backups. If operations cannot be restored from replicated data, the backup data offers the last possibility of restoring the company's operations. Furthermore, corruption can possibly be introduced into the production system and replicated to the disaster recovery site long before it is detected. Then, the only hope of recovering the system to a safe, stable state is to perform a full recovery from prior backups. This is the reason why several generations of backups must be retained, representing data over several generations, such as days, weeks, and even months and years old.

Because backup media might be the last line of defense in the ability to restore a working FileNet P8 system, backups *must* represent a consistent state of the data. This technique generally requires that the FileNet P8 software is shut down so that the data being backed up is completely self-consistent.

Techniques for minimizing the required downtime to achieve a completely consistent backup image are explained in Chapter 6, "Alternative strategies for backup" on page 131.

2.2 Backup components and storage location

When planning for backup, you decide what components to backup and where to store the backup data. Given the complexity of a FileNet P8 installation, a possibility exists that a critical area of data is omitted from the backup plan, which renders the backups useless for performing a complete restoration of the system. Therefore, backups *must* be tested periodically to ensure that the media can be read and that the system that is restored from the backups can be brought up, is fully functional, and is not missing any data.

2.2.1 Backup components

Although the Process Engine stores all of its working data in a relational database, the Content Engine's data may be spread across a number of areas: one or more databases, ordinary file storage, and specialized devices called *fixed content devices* (FCDs). In addition, most FileNet P8 components also rely on configuration files that are stored in various places. A comprehensive FileNet P8 backup strategy must back up the following components:

- Metadata in the relational databases
- ► Files in all file storage areas
- Files in all fixed content devices
- Full text index collections
- Configuration files

As a best practice, create a restorable image of the base operating system, applied patches, and binaries of the database, J2EE application server, and core FileNet P8 components. This image, or images, can be used to restore a FileNet P8 system to a previously known good state if the operating system or other core platform components become corrupted for any reason.

2.2.2 Backup storage location

If a disaster were to strike a production facility that housed its backup media on-site, both the production data and the backup data would be at risk of loss. Therefore, you must carefully consider where to store backup media off-site, particularly if a disaster recovery system is not in place. Although it is not as

robust as the disaster recovery strategies, the storing of backup media *off-site* can be seen as a minimal disaster recovery system, and as explained previously, the off-site backup media might be your last opportunity for restoring your system. Businesses that do not employ real-time data replication to a disaster recovery site often choose to store some backup media on-site; other media is rotated off-site. This is seen as a reasonable compromise between ready accessibility of on-site media, and the safety of keeping backup media off-site. At a minimum, media containing one complete full backup must be kept off-site, even if data replication is also being used.

Off-site storage for backup media can be obtained from a variety of service providers. These services typically store the media in *hardened locations*¹ that should be safe from most natural disasters. An alterative method used by certain businesses to these media storage services is for the business to maintain another site in the same metropolitan area, then media from each location can be exchanged with that of the remote location. Although cheaper than the storage services, this alternative is less desirable unless hardened storage is used for the media to protect it from fire, flood, earthquake, or other physical disasters.

2.3 Backup modes

The three backup modes are: cold, warm, and hot. As of this writing, use only cold, or offline, backups for FileNet P8 systems.

The time when a service must be down to perform a backup is known as the *backup window*. Further discussion of backup windows is in 2.5, "Backup and restore window and scheduling" on page 36. The goal for administrators is to reduce, or shrink, the backup window as much as possible, with the ideal situation being that no downtime is required.

2.3.1 Offline backup

An offline or *cold* backup is done when all system components are stopped. Files, metadata, and configuration data are then considered stable and can be backed up without concern for changes being made by users or external applications at that time.

A hardened location is a specially structured or reinforced building, storage, or location, that can withstand certain degree of physical destruction.

The optimal conditions for an offline backup when the following situations occur:

- All users are disconnected from the system.
- ► All Web-tier processes are stopped (Application Engine and Component Manager).
- ► All back-end processes are stopped (Content Engine and Process Engine).
- All database processes are stopped.

Note: Any applications, such as XML Web Services-based applications, attempting to access the system at this time must not be able to do so. System administrators must consider how and when they will notify both internal and external users of any upcoming planned system downtime.

After all components are stopped, the backup can proceed. Backing up the databases, file storage areas, content search indices, and configuration data is necessary. A detailed list of items to be backed up is in Chapter 5, "FileNet P8 data components to backup and replicate" on page 107.

After completion of all backup operations, all FileNet P8 and database components must be restarted, and normal system operations can then resume.

Techniques for shrinking the backup window are described in Chapter 6, "Alternative strategies for backup" on page 131. Several of these techniques are general approaches for minimizing downtime during backups; others are specific to the FileNet P8 Platform.

2.3.2 Warm online backup

A *warm online backup* is done when users still have access to the system, but some level of system functionality is restricted to make the backup less complicated and to ensure consistency between the files and metadata being backed up.

For example, a FileNet P8 system administrator has suspended write privileges in the database. After the database write privilege has been suspended, a backup of metadata, files, and configuration data can commence. Users and other applications continue to have read access to the system. For the duration of the backup, the database caches all write operations. After the backup has completed, database-write privilege is restored, and the cached writes can be permanently written to the database.

As of this writing, this type of backup has not been qualified for the FileNet P8 software, so do not use this type of backup and do not provide a procedure for it.

2.3.3 Hot online backup

A *hot online backup* is done when the system is backed up and no user activities are restricted. Core content, process, full-text indexing, and publishing activities all continue during this type of backup. Because of the difficulties of synchronizing *in-flight data* on a system in this state, do not use this type of backup and do not provide a procedure for it.

2.4 Backup types

Each backup that is performed does not necessarily have to be a full backup of metadata, files, configuration data, and full-text indexes. In addition to using various backup approaches (described in 2.3, "Backup modes" on page 32) and the alternative backup strategies (described in Chapter 6, "Alternative strategies for backup" on page 131), there is another common method that is used to minimize downtimes for backups and the amount of backup storage consumed: backing up only files that were not contained within a previous backup, and combining the two sets of backup files if a restoration is required.

In this section, we discuss the range of backup types available for a FileNet P8 system.

2.4.1 Full backup

A *full backup* is backing up *all files* in a given storage area, regardless of their state (such as an archive bit setting), last change date, or creation date.

2.4.2 Incremental backup

An *incremental backup* means backing up only the files that have been modified since the last backup, whether the last backup was a full or incremental backup.

One advantage of incremental backups is that they store the least amount of data, because only the newly-modified files are backed up. The disadvantage is that if a restore is necessary, files must be restored first from the most recent full backup, then sequentially from *each* subsequent incremental backups. In this type of restore operation, files that had been deleted since the full backup are restored also, because the deletion information is not written to the backup media.

2.4.3 Differential

A differential backup (or delta backup), means backing up only the files that have been modified since the last full backup.

A differential backup is very similar to an incremental backup, but there are differences. Incremental backups are used to save tape or disk space, but may or may not reduce the time to do a restore. When recovery is needed, the full backup and *all* incremental backups are required to fully recover the data.

Differential backups do not save tape or disk space. Differential backups that are made subsequent to the first differential backup are bigger than incremental backups that are made at the same time. The restoration time is usually faster when using differential backups as compared to incremental backups. If restoration is necessary, only the full backup and the *most recent* differential backup would have to be restored.

Differential backups share with incremental backups the same problem with restoration of deleted files.

2.4.4 Synthetic

A *synthetic backup* means combining a full backup with subsequent incremental backups or with a subsequent differential backup offline.

A full backup, combined with subsequent incremental or differential backups, can be indistinguishable from a separate full backup that is done at the time of the most recent incremental or differential backup. For this to be the case, the subsequent partial backups must include information noting which files have been deleted since the full backup. This typically requires the use of a backup server with a database of information about the files that have been backed up. It can then combine the information from a full backup with that from the incremental or differential backup, adding new and changed files and removing any deleted files, in presenting the contents of the synthetic backup.

2.4.5 Progressive

A *progressive incremental backup* (a Tivoli Storage Manager feature) combines the advantages of incremental and differential backups, and eliminates the need to do more than one full backup.

In this approach, an initial full backup is performed, and thereafter only incremental backups are performed. This approach minimizes the amount of data that is sent to the Tivoli Storage Manager backup server. The backup server

also determines whether a file that it previously considered to be *active* has been deleted. With this information, the backup server can reproduce the set of files that were on the backup system as of the most recent or previous backups. Deleted, or *inactive*, files are retained for a specified length of time before being permanently removed from the backup server.

2.4.6 Multilevel incremental

A *multilevel incremental backup* is the same as an incremental backup, except it is backing up all files that have been modified since the last n-l level backup.

With multilevel incremental backup, a full backup is considered a level 0 backup. Multilevel incremental backups take advantage of both incremental and differential backups.

2.5 Backup and restore window and scheduling

When planning for backup, consider the backup and restore window and when to schedule the backups.

2.5.1 Backup and restore window

A backup and restore window is the amount of time a system administrator has been allocated to back up a system.

Best practices for system backup dictate that all components be stopped so that a static environment for the backup can be maintained. During this time, applications are unavailable to users. Likewise, if the system must be restored to a previous good state, the system must again be stopped and become unavailable to users.

Important: As system size grows, backup and restore windows might also grow. Therefore, system administrators must manage expectations among both users and management. System administrators must find a balance between speed of backup and restore, and the cost of the hardware and software that are required to meet stated goals.

2.5.2 FlashCopy

Modern storage systems such as IBM DS4800 provide a feature such as FlashCopy for creating a point-in-time copy of production data for transfer from disk to tape. FlashCopy (newer versions) can also support *consistency groups*. These consistency groups can be used to create consistent, point-in-time copies across multiple storage subsystems.

Because FlashCopy can perform these actions in a very short period of time, the backup can be performed in a very narrow window. The entire process can potentially be no longer than the time necessary for bringing down the system, executing the nearly instantaneous FlashCopy, and then restarting the system. The actual full, incremental, or differential backup is made after restarting the system, effectively masking most of the backup time. The FlashCopy approach eliminates most of the backup time from the backup window.

2.5.3 Backup scheduling

The tools being used to perform a FileNet P8 system backup dictate, to some degree, the frequency and type of backup to be done.

For example, if a system administrator chooses to use operating system tools to back up a FileNet P8 file storage area, a full backup might have to be performed weekly. However, if a more robust tool set, such as IBM Tivoli Storage Manager, is being used, regular full backups might not be necessary. Tivoli Storage Manager has the ability to track which files have been added or changed since the last backup. So, a system administrator may perform an initial full system backup, then choose to use Tivoli Storage Manager's ability to do differential or incremental backups on a day-forward basis.

If you do not have these types of tools available, perform a full backup of the system at least once per week. Be sure to verify your backup! You do not want to discover later that the system has failed to backup for several months because storage space issues.

If you have tools such as Tivoli Storage Manager, perform an initial full backup of the system, followed by daily differential or incremental backups.

2.6 Restoring a FileNet P8 system

This section discusses point-in-time and partial system restoration, and the problem of inconsistency that can occur after a system restoration.

2.6.1 Partial restore

If a user accidentally deletes a piece of content, do you need to do a full restore to recover that content? This is one question to consider when planning your backup and restore strategy.

Currently, FileNet P8 does not provide any facility for restoring a specific piece of content to a production system. Be sure to consider your options in case this situation occurs; determine what is acceptable and what is not acceptable for your business.

2.6.2 Point-in-time restore

If a FileNet P8 system becomes corrupted by human error, hardware malfunction, or a malicious virus, an administrator determines whether the system must be restored to a previously known good state. The conditions for performing a system restore are the same as those for the backup:

- All users are disconnected from the system.
- All Web-tier processes are stopped (Component Manager).
- ► All back-end processes are stopped (Content Engine and Process Engine).
- ► All database processes are stopped.

With the system quiesced, the administrator can begin the process of restoring the system. The types of tools being used, the nature or the backups previously done, and the reason for performing the restoration must all be considered.

If standard operating system file-copy functionality has been used to back up FileNet P8 file storage areas, the administrator might need to restore a previously-done full backup, thus losing all newly created content added since the last backup. However, if a tool such as Tivoli Storage Manager is used to perform both full and incremental backups, the administrator might have more flexibility in choosing what to restore. For example, if a full system backup was done on Sunday and a virus hits the network later in the week, the administrator has the flexibility to restore the system back to last Sunday, or perhaps Monday or Tuesday if that content is believed to be in a good state.

2.6.3 Checking system consistency after a restore

In theory, if the entire FileNet P8 system has been shut down correctly with no transactions happening during a backup, checking the system for inconsistencies after the restoration is unnecessary. In practice, however, you might find that your FileNet P8 system has database entries pointing to content that does not exist, or content on your file storage area that has no corresponding entry in the database, for a variety of reasons. Because of this possibility, use the FileNet Consistency Checker tool and others tools to inspect the system for such anomalies after a system restore.

For more information about Consistency Checker and post-restore procedures, see Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263.

2.7 Tivoli Storage Manager overview

In this book, we detail procedures for backing up and restoring a FileNet P8 system using Tivoli Storage Manager. In this section, we provide a high-level overview of the features and functions of Tivoli Storage Manager.

2.7.1 Introducing Tivoli Storage Manager

The Tivoli Storage Manager family of products offers a range of features supporting centralized, automated data protection that can help reduce the risk that is associated with data loss, and help to manage costs, reduce complexity and address compliance with regulatory data retention requirements.

Tivoli Storage Manager provides a data protection solution for backup, archiving, disaster recovery planning, space management, database and application protection, and bare machine recovery, all done through a consistent graphical user interface (GUI).

Using Tivoli Storage Manager provides the following benefits:

- Centralized administration for data and storage management
- Fully automated data protection and re-organization
- Efficient management of information growth
- Built-in data deduplication
- High-speed automated server recovery

- Near real-time monitoring and operational reporting
- ► Full compatibility with hundreds of storage devices, local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), and storage area network (SAN) infrastructures.

2.7.2 IBM Tivoli Storage Manager clients

Tivoli Storage Manager client software is installed on the workstations, file servers, mobile computers, and other machines that must have their data protected. These machines with the client software installed become IBM Tivoli Storage Manager clients.

Tivoli Storage Manager is based on a DB2 database. The database tracks what is backed up, where it is stored, how long it will be stored, how many versions of the data are kept, and the number and length of time a copy of the file is kept after it is deleted from the original file system.

The relational database allows Tivoli Storage Manager to perform tasks that are not possible when using a flat file master catalog to track metadata. Tivoli Storage Manager also enables a two-phase commit, thus protecting the integrity of the database and allowing interrupted backups and restores to be restarted. For example, the underlying DB2 relational database can perform the following tasks:

- Move data from one type of storage pool to another.
- Retroactively update backed-up data when a policy changes.
- Track individual files.
- Schedule any type of client or administrative process.
- Reclaim expired dead space on tapes.

2.7.3 IBM Tivoli Storage Manager server

The principal architectural component of the Tivoli Storage Manager server is its DB2 database. The IBM Tivoli Storage Manager database is used to manage data and designed for zero-touch administration implementation.

All policy information, logging, authentication and security, media management, and object inventory are managed through the Tivoli Storage Manager database.

Most of the fields are externalized through IBM Tivoli Storage Manager high-level administration commands, SQL SELECT statements, or, for reporting purposes, by using an ODBC driver. This database is fully protected with software mirroring, roll-forward capability, and its own management, online backup, and restore functions.

For storing the managed data, the Tivoli Storage Manager server manages a storage repository. The storage repository can be implemented in a hierarchy using any combination of magnetic or optical disk, tape, and robotic storage devices. These devices are locally connected to the server system or are accessible through a SAN. To take advantage of SAN technology, the Tivoli Storage Manager server dynamically shares SAN-connected automated tape library systems among multiple Tivoli Storage Manager servers, and provides (as an option) LAN, or LAN-free and server-free backup.

For a complete description of the hardware and software configuration used for this book, see Chapter 7, "Case study description and system setup" on page 145.



FileNet P8 system architecture overview

In this chapter, we provide an overview of the overall IBM FileNet P8 Platform Version 4.5.1 system architecture and its three core components: Content Engine, Process Engine, and Application Engine. In addition, we describe two other important server components: Image Services and the Content Search Engine. We discuss the services that these engines provide and the communication protocols that are employed for communication between the various components.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Architectural overview
- Content Engine
- ► Process Engine
- Application Engine
- Image Services and CFS-IS
- ► Content Search Engine

3.1 Architectural overview

The FileNet P8 suite of products provides a business-centric Enterprise Content Management (ECM) system. The core components of the FileNet P8 suite of products are Content Engine (CE), Process Engine (PE), and Application Engine (AE). Content Engine stores documents, workflow objects, and custom objects. Process Engine manages business processes, also known as *workflows* or *workflow processes*. Application Engine is the ready to use, predefined user interface for the FileNet P8 Platform, which through its layered applications, Workplace or Workplace XT, provides a general folder-based view of an FileNet P8 content repository. The user interface also provides various Process Engine components for representing objects, such as inboxes, public queues, and step processors.

Together, these core engines provide the FileNet P8 Platform on which many applications are built, including:

- ► IBM FileNet Content Manager
- ▶ IBM FileNet Business Process Manager (BPM)
- Process Analyzer (a tool that is provided with IBM FileNet Business Process Manager)
- Process Simulator (a tool that is provided with IBM FileNet Business Process Manager)
- ▶ IBM FileNet Capture
- ► IBM Content Collector for Email (replacing IBM FileNet Email Management
- ► IBM Content Collector for File Systems (replacing IBM FileNet Records Crawler)
- ► IBM Enterprise Records (formerly IBM FileNet Records Manager)
- ► IBM FileNet Business Activity Monitoring (BAM)
- ▶ IBM FileNet eForms
- ► IBM FileNet Business Process Framework (BPF)
- Rendition Engine
- Custom-developed applications

Content Engine and Process Engine are servers. They can be accessed by client programs, including the Application Engine user interface, but also by stand-alone programs that can be developed by customers or third parties. Both Content Engine and Process Engine provide Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) for accessing all of their features and capabilities. Client programs of these servers are often JavaTM programs, so they both offer Java APIs. The Java

APIs allow stand-alone or Java 2 Platform, Enterprise Edition (J2EE)-based applications written in Java to access all the features of Content Engine and Process Engine. Most of the products that are listed access Content Engine or Process Engine using their Java APIs, which is usually the most efficient method to access the engines.

3.2 Content Engine

In an enterprise content management environment, the content of each document is stored and managed by content management software. In the case of the FileNet P8 suite of products, this function is performed by the Content Engine (CE) server. It is implemented as a J2EE application, and so it runs within a J2EE application server. Content Engine supports WebSphere®, WebLogic, and JBoss application servers.

The properties associated with each document comprise the document's *metadata*. Typical metadata properties include: creator of the document, creation time of the document, and the type of the document. The metadata is stored in a database that is known as the *document catalog*. Content Engine supports DB2, Oracle, and SQL Server databases. Searching for a particular document consists of querying the Content Engine database, and then retrieving the content corresponding to the matching documents. More than one piece of content, which is called a *content element*, can be associated with a single document. The content elements can be stored in any of the following locations:

- Database
- Conventional file system
- Fixed content device

Although content can be stored in the Content Engine database, companies typically do not use this configuration, because the database can become too large and therefore difficult to manage if it holds all the content. Most companies therefore use one of the other two choices to store content: the file system or a fixed content device. If a file system is used, it is most often stored on a network-attached storage (NAS) or storage-attached network (SAN) device. For highly available configurations, consisting of more than one Content Engine node, a form of shared storage must be used for file system storage of content. Implementing a Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) system provides both higher performance and high availability of the data.

Fixed content devices typically include specialized storage subsystems that meet certain compliance requirements, such as the ability to guarantee that content is never modified and that it cannot be deleted until a specified date in the future.

These devices are often used to store legal and other documents in the financial, insurance, and related industries.

The architecture of Content Engine allows for a variety of devices to be used as fixed content devices. Content Engine can also be connected to other content storage systems, using these systems to store the content as conventional fixed content devices do. Content Federated Services (CFS) allows Content Engine to import document metadata and populate its object store, leaving the actual content in the remote content management system. This process, called *federation*, provides a number of unique benefits:

- New applications, taking advantage of the rich metadata object model provided by Content Engine, can be developed and used with both new content that is stored natively inside Content Engine and with older content that resides in an existing content management system.
- ▶ Because the content remains inside the existing system, applications that use interfaces that are provided by that system can continue to be used.
- ► The time and space required to federate the metadata of existing documents is much less than the time and space required for a full migration of content from the old system to the new one. No downtime is required of either system. Users can continue to use and add new documents to the existing system during the federation process.
- ► Clients can continue to use the existing systems and related hardware for as long as desired. Conversely, a migration over time can be effected, first by quickly federating the metadata, and then slowly moving content from the existing system into Content Engine as time and storage space permit. When the content of the last documents in the existing system have been moved, then the existing system can be retired.

A single Content Engine domain can manage one or more content repositories, which are called *object stores*. Each object store consists of a metadata database and one or more content storage locations. Information about object stores and domain configuration information are kept in a database called Global Configuration Database (GCD). By sharing access to the GCD, multiple Content Engines can participate in a single Content Engine domain, allowing these Content Engines to access the same object stores. This feature is the key for both Content Engine's scalability (more servers can be added as demand grows) and its high availability (if one node fails, the other nodes can still be used to continue processing requests until the failed node can be restored).

Content Engine supports user-extensible document classes, allowing users to define new types of documents that can be stored and what additional metadata these classes of documents maintain. It also supports event processing, that is, the ability to perform a user-defined action when a chosen event happens, such as creating, deleting, checking in, and checking out documents. Security can be

configured on document classes or on an individual document using an Access Control List (ACL), allowing the owner of a document to define precisely who can access or modify the document. Content can be versioned, that is, revisions to the content of the document can be checked into the Content Engine, and the Content Engine maintains a list of all these versions over time. Documents within Content Engine can be arranged hierarchically by filing them into one or more folders.

Content Engine uses any one of a number of supported Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) servers to perform user authentication. Using an LDAP server simplifies the installation and administration of Content Engine, because most corporations use an LDAP system for maintaining their user IDs, passwords, and groups. Content Engine caches the responses from the LDAP server (keeps a copy for a period of time), which reduces the number of LDAP queries and reduces future response times. In addition, Process Engine uses Content Engine for user authentication, again simplifying its installation and administration.

Figure 3-1 depicts the Content Engine system architecture.

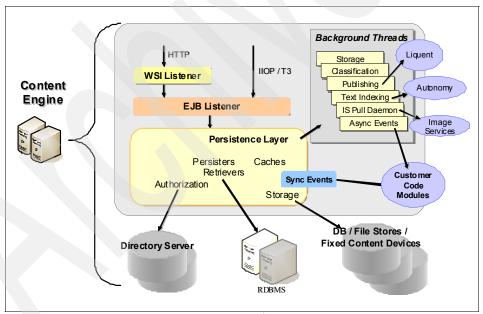


Figure 3-1 Content Engine system architecture¹

As Figure 3-1 shows, the Content Engine system architecture can be divided into three general areas: client connectivity, persistence, and background processing

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threads. Client connectivity is based on the Enterprise JavaBeans (EJB) Listener, which receives client requests, executes them, and returns the results to the client. To accommodate standard Web Services clients, a Web Services Interface (WSI) Listener converts external Content Engine Web Services (CEWS) calls into the corresponding EJB calls and then passes them to the EJB layer for processing.

The Persistence Layer is responsible for many of the Content Engine's basic functions. It handles communications with the supported databases and storage and retrieval of content from storage areas, including the database, file storage areas, and fixed content devices (FCDs). The Persistence Layer also performs authorization for the Content Engine by communicating with the supported LDAP server, and this layer also manages Content Cache Areas and their use. Finally, the Persistence Layer initiates event processing in response to changes to content and metadata, such as document creation, deletion, or updates.

For Synchronous Events, the corresponding event code is executed directly by the Persistence Layer as part of the initiating transaction. With Asynchronous Events, the Persistence Layer signals a background thread about an action of interest, and the Content Engine performs further processing within a separate transaction. In this case, the server does not wait until the operation has completed before returning control to the client. Such processing includes explicit Asynchronous Events, which can be used for workflow launches to request processing by the Process Engine, and also includes activities, such as:

- Classification: Content Engine provides a framework for automatically assigning incoming documents to a designated document class. With automatic document classification, you can automatically change a document's class and set its property values. Content Engine provides ready to use, predefined support for the auto-classification of documents.
- Publishing: Content Engine's publishing framework provides a rich set of tools and capabilities for re-purposing the content that is contained in document objects into HTML and PDF formats. Publishing is useful when you want to make a document available to customers, but you do not want them to be able to modify the document. When you publish a document, you maintain control over the source document and can continue to update and make changes to the source that are not visible to users of the publication document. When you are ready to make the new version of the document available to your users, you republish the source document, thereby creating a new version of the publication copy. Document Publishing is performed by the Rendition Engine.
- ▶ Indexing: Indexing a document consists of breaking the document into individual words and storing those words into a separate database, which is called a *Collection*, so that users can search for documents based on their content. This process is called *Content Based Retrieval (CBR)* or *full text indexing*.

Other background threads within the Content Engine include the Image Services Pull Daemon, which is responsible for communicating with an Image Services server to perform Content Federated Services for Image Services (CFS-IS), and storage management, which handles copying content into file storage areas and finalizing the file's location, or deleting it if its originating transaction fails.

In addition to the Content Engine server, Content Engine also includes IBM FileNet Enterprise Manager (Enterprise Manager), a Microsoft® Management Console (MMC) snap-in application through which you can manage Content Engine services and object stores.

3.2.1 Database

Figure 3-2 shows the internal database structures for Content Engine. A Content Engine can have one to many object stores. This diagram shows the databases of two object stores, OS1 and OS2. These databases store information about the content and may also store the content itself. The Global Configuration Database (GCD) stores information about the object stores and information about the system configuration.

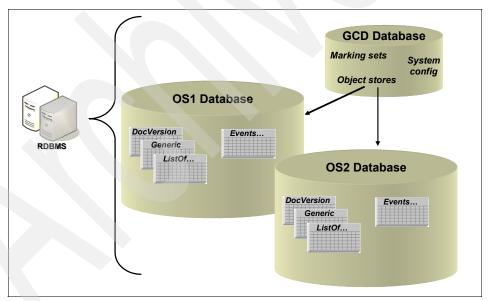


Figure 3-2 Content Engine internal database structure

3.2.2 Communication protocols

Content Engine supports a single API, with two transport protocols available for clients to use: Enterprise JavaBeans (EJB) and the Web Services Interface (WSI), also known as Content Engine Web Services (CEWS). Both transports support the same API, and each transport can access the full capabilities of Content Engine. These transports are sometimes referred to as the EJB API and the Web Services API of Content Engine. In reality, both transports offer the same set of services and thus represent the same API in separate ways.

The EJB transport resolves to a protocol that is specific to each application server. Therefore, clients of the Java API running within a J2EE application server and using the EJB transport must be running on the same application server as Content Engine (for instance, IBM WebSphere Application Server) so that the client and server portions of the EJB transport are compatible. Stand-alone Java applications that are to be Content Engine clients must similarly be linked with client libraries supplied with the application server on which Content Engine is running.

The Content Java API allows either transport to be used by Java clients. The EJB transport generally provides better performance than the Web Services transport, because internally within Content Engine, the CEWS layer is built on top of the EJB layer. For this reason, most FileNet P8 products that are written in Java and work with Content Engine, such as the Application Engine, use the Java API with the EJB transport. However, the WSI transport offers several advantages:

- ► Client applications can be written in any language, not just Java, because the Web Services Interface and transport are standards.
- ► No application-server-specific libraries are required by the clients, and access through firewalls can be simpler, easing deployment.
- ► The availability of the Web Services interface allows Content Engine to participate fully in standard service-oriented architecture (SOA).

Content Engine also provides a .NET API. This API uses the WSI transport to communicate with the server. Similarly, there is a COM API provided for backward compatibility with earlier versions of Content Engine. This API also uses the WSI transport for server communications.

3.3 Process Engine

Process Engine is a 32-bit C++ application that follows a single-threaded multi-process model. Process Engine currently runs on IBM AIX® operating system, Hewlett-Packard UNIX (HP-UX) operating system, Sun Microsystems Solaris operating environment, and Microsoft Windows® operating system. Process Engine provides enterprise-level software services for managing all aspects of business processes, including process modeling, routing, execution, process simulation, and analysis. Process Engine allows you to create, modify, and manage processes implemented by applications, enterprise users, or external users (such as partners and customers).

Figure 3-3 illustrates the Process Engine system architecture.

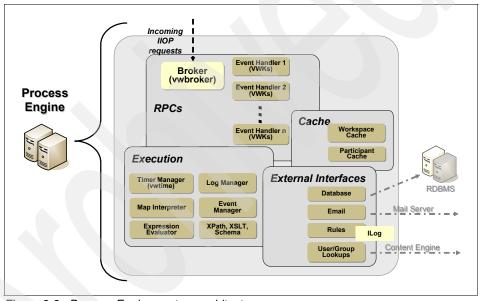


Figure 3-3 Process Engine system architecture

As shown in Figure 3-3, the Process Engine system architecture is divided into four areas:

- ► VWBroker processes receive incoming Internet Inter-ORB Protocol (IIOP) requests from clients and route them to a VWK process.
- Execution subsystem is the heart of the Process Engine, and it is mostly embedded in VWKs. It executes the steps of the defined workflow and in response moves workflow items from one queue to another queue. Interprocess communication occurs between all the processes that

implement the Execution subsystem. The Execution module includes these pieces:

- Timer Manager: Controls workflow timers, deadlines, delays, and similar time-related activities. It is implemented by vwtime.
- Map Interpreter: Interprets workflow maps. A workflow map is a graphical representation of the workflow that shows the sequences of steps needed to complete the business processes.
- Expression Evaluator: Evaluates expressions. Expressions are formulas that are used to obtain results for route properties, data field definitions, and other field-related expressions.
- Log Manager: Manages logs. Event logs contain a record of specific system-related or workflow-related events for each isolated region. This type of logging is useful for tracking and analyzing workflow activity.
- Event Manager: Workflows within Process Engine can involve waiting for an event to occur, after which the workflow can proceed. This processing is handled by the Event Manager.
- XPath/Extensible Stylesheet Language Transformation (XSLT) processing: Processes XPath and XSLT. It includes functions for manipulating XML formatted strings.
- ► Cache: For performance reasons, Process Engine caches commonly used information. In particular, the users and groups that are returned by the directory service are cached in the Participant Cache. Another cache is Workspace Cache (a *workspace* is the configuration components of a type of workflow instance).
- External Interfaces of Process Engine include its database connections, the ability to originate Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) e-mail, the authentication of users and groups through the Content Engine, and its interface for rules processing.

As with Content Engine, each Process Engine instance can operate independently of any others, storing all shared data in the database. By load balancing requests across a group of Process Engine servers, clients can achieve both scalability and high availability with Process Engine.

3.3.1 Component Integrator

Component Integrator provides a framework that enables Process Engine to connect to external applications or services. With Component Integrator, you can make custom Java code or existing Java Message Service (JMS) components available in a workflow. A component, in this context, can be a Java object or a JMS messaging system. Component Integrator handles the import of Java

classes and manages the communication between Process Engine and the external interfaces. Component Integrator provides the Web Services invocation framework for process orchestration, which uses SOAP/HTTP as its transport protocol. Component Integrator includes adaptors that communicate events from Process Engine to external system, services, or entities. Adaptors interact with various types of components from a workflow process step. Each of these interfaces is managed in Application Engine by an instance of Component Manager.

Component Integrator provides a default set of Content Engine operations in Process Engine. It can also include any custom components that are created by you or other people. Instances of Component Manager manage connections to external components. In a consistent way, Content Engine operations allow a workflow step to perform operations on Content Engine, such as filing a document in a folder or setting the properties of a document.

3.3.2 Communication protocols

Similar to Content Engine, Process Engine offers its services through two transports: Web Services and CORBA/IIOP. The Process Java API uses the IIOP transport, so clients, such as Application Engine, use this transport to connect to Process Engine. The Web Services interface can be used by clients in many languages, including FileNet P8 applications, such as the Microsoft SharePoint Connector.

Process Engine acts as a client of Content Engine. In response to Content Engine requests, Process Engine executes workflow operations. It also uses Content Engine to authenticate FileNet P8 domain users. These connections are made using Content Engine's Web Services transport.

Process Engine can be either a provider or a consumer of Web services by using the process orchestration framework. Process orchestration uses standard Web Services definitions for business process management systems, such as Business Process Execution Language (BPEL), that were created to allow an IBM FileNet Business Process Manager system to participate in an SOA. Process orchestration also uses the Web Services transport.

3.4 Application Engine

Application Engine forms the Web tier front end, or presentation layer, to Content Engine and Process Engine. Application Engine is the FileNet P8 Platform component that hosts the Workplace or Workplace XT Web application, Workplace Java applets, application development tools, and other FileNet P8

Web applications. Because Workplace and Workplace XT provide similar functionality, but with various user interfaces, we refer to the features of either simply by the term *Workplace*.

Workplace forms the presentation layer (a Web-based user interface) for both Content Engine and Process Engine. When a user logs in, the credentials that are supplied are maintained and protected by Application Engine. If Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) security is in use, Application Engine also provides this function. Workplace runs in a Web container in a J2EE application server, such as IBM WebSphere Application Server, as used in the configuration for this book. Component Manager, another Java application residing in Application Engine, manages interaction with external entities (in this context, components). Workplace can provide custom actions by integrating external custom code. Workplace also has the ability to configure custom viewers based on document Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME) types.

In addition to the Workplace or Workplace XT application, Application Engine can host other features and applications:

- ▶ IBM Enterprise Records (formerly IBM FileNet Records Manager) is an addition to the features of Workplace that provides records management-related functions. These functions include declaring records, setting retention periods, and performing record-holds on documents that must not be deleted because of pending litigation or other reasons.
- ► IBM eForms is an electronic forms management package.
- ▶ Integration with Microsoft Office enables you to manage Office documents and Microsoft Outlook e-mail messages within the FileNet P8 content repository. Users can store, search, and retrieve documents, e-mail, and attachments directly from Microsoft Office menus. In addition to securing and versioning Microsoft Office documents, users can browse object stores and insert properties into Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel documents. Users can also use entry templates to add documents to an object store and launch an approval workflow.
- WebDAV Servlet allows you to create and edit documents and manage content from WebDAV-compliant applications, such as Microsoft Word.
- Component Integrator provides a framework that allows you to create connectors to external applications, services, or entities. See 3.3.1, "Component Integrator" on page 52 for details.

In addition to the these features, Application Engine includes the Java APIs for Content Engine and Process Engine, the .NET API for Content Engine, and the Web Application Toolkit (WAT). The Web Application Toolkit is the basis of Application Engine and IBM Enterprise Records. It provides an extensible framework and reusable modules for building Web applications. The Toolkit

provides application developers with access to Content Engine, Process Engine, and vendor back-end servers. It supplies the behaviors and data structures for authentication, event routing, state information, preferences, localization, and other features of robust and scalable applications. The toolkit's reusable user interface component model facilitates the development of a robust HTML-based application user interface with little or no DHTML or JavaScript required. In addition to the toolkit, Application Engine also includes the Application Integration Toolkit and the Application Integration Express Add-in. For more information about these services and applications, see *IBM FileNet P8 System Overview*, GC31-5482.

J2EE Application / Web Server Servlet container Content Custom Content **Application Applications** Incoming **Engine** HTTP Workplace **Engine** Process requests Enterprise Records **eForms** Extensions Extensions Component Manager Content Engine (Java application) Operations **Custom Java** Web Services **Process Engine**

Figure 3-4 shows the Application Engine system architecture.

Figure 3-4 Application Engine system architecture

The Application Engine system architecture includes two major parts:

- ► The Servlet Container, which is within the supporting application server, supports the execution of Workplace/Workplace XT, Enterprise Records, eForms, and any custom applications. The Content Engine Java API and the Process Engine Java API are used by these applications to communicate with the corresponding Content Engine and Process Engine servers. Requests arrive at the Application Engine through HTTP, typically from users on Web browsers, and responses are also delivered to the clients over the same HTTP connection.
- ► The Application Engine, shown in Figure 3-4, is implemented by the Component Integrator, which is described fully in 3.3.1, "Component

Integrator" on page 52. One or more Component Managers (Java applications) can run simultaneously. Content Engine operations allow workflows to access the Content Engine, and Web Services provides an invocation framework that is used for process orchestration.

Because each Application Engine works independently of any others and does not store any user data on disk, customers can easily provision a set of Application Engine servers. This configuration results in both scalability and high availability.

3.4.1 Communication protocols

Clients of Application Engine are Web browsers. They use the HTTP or HTTPS protocols in connecting to Application Engine. As a client of Content Engine and Process Engine, Application Engine uses their client protocols to connect to them. For Content Engine, the communication protocol used is the EJB transport. For Process Engine, the protocol is IIOP. Both protocols are carried over TCP/IP connections.

3.5 Image Services and CFS-IS

IBM FileNet Image Services is a powerful image and document management system. It integrates with a number of storage devices, including optical disk systems, Magnetic Storage and Retrieval (MSAR), and specialty storage units for compliance, such as IBM Information Archive and IBM System Storage N series storage.

Many companies with Image Services implementations want to take advantage of the functionality and features in the FileNet P8 suite, including Content Engine's document class data model and Process Engine's process workflow capabilities. Without having to give up existing applications and procedures that work with Image Services, FileNet P8 offers Content Federation Services for Image Services (CFS-IS) for these companies.

Content Federation Services (CFS) allows Content Engine to function as the master metadata catalog for documents that are stored in FileNet P8, Image Services, and other disparate content sources. Documents can be searched and retrieved directly by any FileNet P8 application, no matter where the actual content is stored.

For Image Services, CFS-IS federates the Image Services documents to the FileNet P8 catalog, meaning that the Image Services document metadata is

stored in the FileNet P8 catalog; the content remains where it was stored originally, until a user retrieves the document.

CFS-IS allows the Image Services users to deploy new FileNet P8 applications, which can use the documents that are stored in Image Services; the existing Image Services applications can continue to function for as long as they are required, until the decision is made to replace them with FileNet P8 applications.

CFS-IS also enables Content Engine to use Image Services as a content storage device. Users of FileNet P8 applications can have full access to content that is stored in existing Image Services repositories. Anything that is created in Workplace or created programmatically using Content Engine APIs can be stored in the Image Services permanent storage infrastructure if necessary, allowing companies to continue using their Image Services systems.

With CFS-IS, existing Image Services content is preserved and usable by Image Services clients, and it is also reusable by FileNet P8 applications, such as Workplace XT and Enterprise Records, without duplication and without change to existing applications. The location of document content is transparent to all Content Engine applications. Applications that store documents in Image Services systems can continue to be used.

For companies that are migrating from Image Services to FileNet P8 Platform, CFS-IS provides an initial bridge that allows Content Engine to be implemented quickly, without first requiring a full migration of all data. In this case, Content Engine can be configured to store new documents in its native storage areas, and content stored on the Image Services system can be migrated slowly while production operations continue. New applications can be developed in the FileNet P8 Platform. When all content is migrated from the Image Services system, and the Image Services system is no longer required for any applications, it can then be decommissioned.

If Image Services applications must run in parallel with the FileNet P8 application for at least a certain period of time, dual cataloging of documents is an option. Image Services documents can be cataloged in the Content Engine catalog, and they can also be cataloged in the Image Services catalog, resulting in all content being accessible by both Image Services clients and any application built on the FileNet P8 Platform, such as Workplace XT. Both the Image Services and Content Engine catalogs are masters and are automatically synchronized by CFS-IS. If properties change in Image Services, they are automatically propagated to the Content Engine catalog (metadata). Note that synchronization is not bidirectional. Updates in the Content Engine metadata do not propagate back to the Image Services catalog, so they are available only to FileNet P8 clients. Therefore, as long as Image Services clients are still in use, any updates must be made through the Image Services clients so that they are reflected in both catalogs (metadata).

During the transition period from the Image Services catalog to the Content Engine catalog, both FileNet P8 Platform applications and Image Services clients can run concurrently, accessing the documents that are stored in Image Services. When a transition to the Content Engine catalog is complete, you may remove entries from the Image Services catalog, and replace the existing Image Services clients with native FileNet P8 applications.

You may catalog existing documents, images, and other content that are already cataloged on the Image Services system on an FileNet P8 system. The Image Services Catalog Export tool exports existing index data (document properties) from an Image Services catalog to a Content Engine catalog. The tool includes an option to delete the index entries from the Image Services index database after the index data has been exported to the Content Engine catalog. In preparation for implementing CFS-IS, the administrator must define a mapping between the document classes and properties within the Image Services system's catalog and the document classes and properties in Content Engine. Properties that do not have a defined mapping are not exported. After CFS-IS is fully configured, CFS-IS automatically propagates the catalog entries of new documents added to Image Services document classes, which are mapped to Content Engine document classes, to the Content Engine catalog.

Architecturally, Image Services implements various components as separate processes. All of these processes can execute on the same host, in a combined server configuration, or you can spread the root, index, and library services across multiple hosts in a dual server configuration. Although Image Services does not support an active/active configuration, separation of these processes can allow an Image Services system to be scaled, within limitations, to accommodate increased demand. For high availability, only a combined server configuration is supported, with all the services resident in the same host. Remote Cache servers can also be used to improve performance in a geographically distributed environment by caching local copies of document content at remote work sites.

3.5.1 Communication protocols

The CFS-IS Pull Daemon threads reside in Content Engine. CFS-IS connects Image Services with Content Engine using a proprietary protocol over TCP/IP.

3.5.2 CFS-IS architecture

In FileNet P8 4.0, the implementation of CFS-IS resides within Content Engine as a number of Java classes and threads. This implementation is an important feature, because it means that the CFS-IS functionality is spread across all Content Engines in a Content Engine farm. This design increases performance

and scalability automatically as the number of active Content Engines in the farm increases. From a high availability standpoint, the CFS-IS functionality is inherently highly available when Content Engine is configured in this way. Figure 3-5 depicts the integration of Content Engine and an Image Services system.

When you add new documents to an Image Services system that is federated using CFS-IS, you can configure CFS to operate in one of the following ways:

- Index new documents to the Content Engine catalog only.
- ► Index new documents to the Content Engine catalog and the Image Services catalog.

In the latter option, updates to Image Services catalog entries are automatically propagated to the Content Engine catalog.

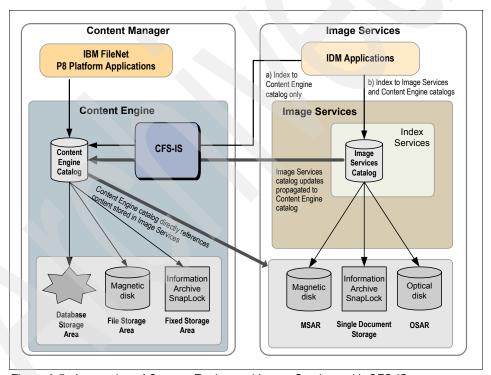


Figure 3-5 Integration of Content Engine and Image Services with CFS-IS

More than one Image Services system can be federated to the same Content Engine system, because each Image Services system appears to Content Engine as an individual fixed content device.

3.6 Content Search Engine

Content Search Engine provides the ability to search for documents within Content Engine based on the content of the documents. It performs two basic functions:

- ► Full-text indexing: New documents that are added to the Content Engine repository can be full-text indexed. That is, the documents are scanned by the system to determine individual words that are found throughout the documents. The administrator can define a list of common words that do not require indexing (also known as the Excluded Word List); the use of this list greatly reduces both the size of the indexes and the time that it takes to index each document.
- Search, also known as Content Based Retrieval (CBR): This function identifies the documents whose content and properties match a given search query.

In defining a search template, a user can specify a search for one or more keywords, possibly also with conditional or alternative requirements, such as "high NEAR availability OR HA." Search capabilities also include the ability to account for misspelled words, typographical errors, phonetic searching, word stem searching, synonym expansion, and wildcard searching, based on the search language that has been configured. Other important aspects of the search function include the following items:

- ► A single search can span multiple object stores across databases. This type of search is known as a *Cross Repository Search (CRS)*. A Cross Repository Search is specified in Workplace simply by including more than one object store in the list of search targets.
- Workplace users can search for documents, folders, and custom objects. Searches can be designed to specify multiple folders, including a common folder name used in multiple object stores. Search templates can be constructed using a Query Builder, or more complex searches can be specified using the Verity Query Language (VQL).
- Content searches return matches not only on content but also on properties enabled for full-text indexing.
- Search results can be ranked automatically by relevancy.
- Searches can use language-specific processing and indexing.
- Bulk operations can be performed on search results in Enterprise Manager, where the operations can be scripted, or selected from a set of predefined operations, such as delete, cancel checkout, file, unfile, and change security.

- ► Searches can be created and stored for easy execution of common queries. Search templates provide a simple user interface for entering search criteria. Shortcuts to searches can be saved so it is easy to find them later.
- ➤ Searches can be expanded to retrieve documents, folders, and custom objects in the same search specification.

3.6.1 Content Search Engine architecture

Content Search Engine consists of components that can be deployed across one or more computers. Figure 3-6 shows Content Search Engine deployment, illustrating how the major components of Content Search Engine are interrelated.

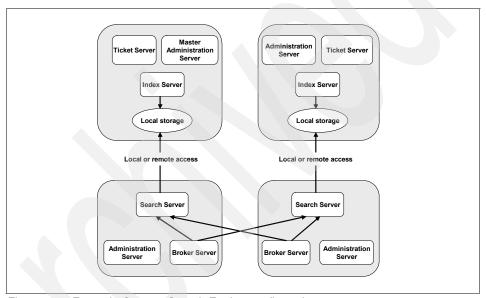


Figure 3-6 Example Content Search Engine configuration

When a document is indexed by Content Search Engine, relevant information is stored in a proprietary database format in a file called a *collection*. Collections are stored within an *index area*, which is a Content Engine object created within Enterprise Manager. When a collection becomes full, a new collection is automatically created, up to the maximum number of collections that have been specified for the Index Area. Indexing can also be partitioned across a number of collections based on the value of a date-time property of the documents, primarily to increase search performance, if the date-time value is specified in the query, as it can significantly reduce the number of collections that must be searched to satisfy the query.

To initiate a request for Content Search Engine to index a document, Content Engine copies the document's content to a temporary area, and then it submits a request to a Content Search Engine Index Server to index that document. In IBM FileNet Content Manager versions prior to 4.5, if multiple Content Engines are in a farm environment, you must manually set one Content Engine to initiate the index request. This unique Content Engine is designated by setting its EnableDispatcher configuration parameter to true. Starting from Version 4.5, the system automatically assign a Content Engine to perform the task. So, if this Content Engine fails, another Content Engine from the farm takes over automatically.

If the Content Search Engine Indexing Servers are down or unavailable, Content Engine queues requests to index documents, up to a maximum of 100,000 documents. Under normal circumstances, therefore, the unavailability of the Content Search Engine Indexing Servers does not prevent ingestion of new documents into Content Engine. Monitoring to ensure that the Content Search Engine Indexing Servers are up and running is therefore an important administrative task.

Not all new documents are required to be indexed. You can configure specific document classes and properties within the document classes to be full-text indexed, and documents of other classes are not indexed. In addition to automatic indexing of new documents, the administrator can manually submit a reindexing job from Enterprise Manager for a given document class, for all documents that have been marked for indexing, or for an individual document, folder, or subclass of any base document class. For example, the administrator can manually submit a reindexing job from Enterprise Manager to restore a particular collection that was lost because of a hardware failure. During the time that documents are being reindexed, search queries can still be performed against the existing collections. When the newly created collections are ready, the old ones are deleted and the new ones become active. Because reindexing jobs are typically time-consuming, perform this task during non-peak business hours.

The following sections describe each component of the Content Search Engine software. Although the term *server* is used for these components, each one is really a service, and within limits, each one can be deployed separately, helping to achieve scalability and availability requirements. In a minimal configuration, all of these services can be deployed on a single host computer, as in the configuration employed for this book. However, for scalability purposes, many clients spread these services across multiple host computers (or equivalents, such as logical partitions) as is done in the configuration used for this book. The services that require the most compute resources are the Index Servers and the Search Servers.

3.6.2 K2 Master Administration Server

For every Content Search Engine installation, there must be exactly one K2 Master Administration Server running. This server maintains information for all the other Content Search Engine server components. When Content Search Engine configuration changes (for instance, a new Search Server is added), the Master Administration Server updates itself and all of the other K2 Administration Servers so that they have the latest configuration settings. The Administration Servers also synchronize periodically with the Master Administration Server, upon startup and every 15 minutes thereafter.

An installation of a Master Administration Server and all the related services (which can be on the same or on remote hosts) is referred to as an *Autonomy K2* domain².

3.6.3 K2 Administration Server

Only one host computer within a K2 domain runs the Master Administration Server at a given time. Every other host computer in the K2 domain instead runs the K2 Administration Server.

The K2 Administration Server monitors the health of the Content Search Engine components installed on its host machine. In addition, Administration Servers can transfer configuration files that are used by the Content Search Engine system from one Content Search Engine host to another Content Search Engine host to propagate configuration changes.

Administration Server software is automatically installed when any other Content Search Engine server software is installed on a host machine. Remote Administration Servers are maintained by the Master Administration Server, including information, such as the configuration and status of a Content Search Engine installation. The information maintained by the local Administration Server is used by the other services running on the same host.

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3.6.4 K2 Ticket Server

K2 Ticket Server is used for the security of the Content Search Engine system and its collection data. One or more Ticket Servers can exist in a K2 domain. The Ticket Servers store authentication information for users and grant access to the full text index collections accordingly. When a user authenticates to an LDAP server, the user receives a ticket. The Ticket Server gives the user access only to the part of the Content Search Engine system for which the user has the correct ticket. In the case of Content Engine, the credentials and other information that is necessary for Content Engine to connect to the Content Search Engine servers are stored in the K2 domain Configuration tab of the FileNet P8 domain root properties page within Enterprise Manager.

3.6.5 K2 Index Server

K2 Index Server is the software application that performs full-text indexing of documents. Specifically, Index Server reads a document, breaks it down into its component words, eliminates words that are in the Excluded Word List, and then creates entries in the collection, mapping those words to the particular document. Breaking apart the document to identify its relevant keywords for indexing is called *information abstraction*. Index Server is capable of performing this process on a wide range of document types.

Only Index Server writes to the collection files. To do so, Index Server requires local file access to the collection files. Physically, the files do not have to reside within the computer hosting Index Server. Most commonly, especially for highly available configurations, the collection files are stored on a SAN and accessed through a Fibre Channel network. Such access creates the appearance that the files are stored on a local Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) device, which Index Server can then access. Index Server cannot access collection files through network file share, such as Common Internet File System (CIFS) or Network File System (NFS).

The properties of each Index Area specify one or more Index Servers that Content Engine can use for that Index Area. By using this list, Content Engine can pick an Index Server for each document to be indexed.

Figure 3-7 shows how Content Engine distributes indexing requests among several Index Servers.

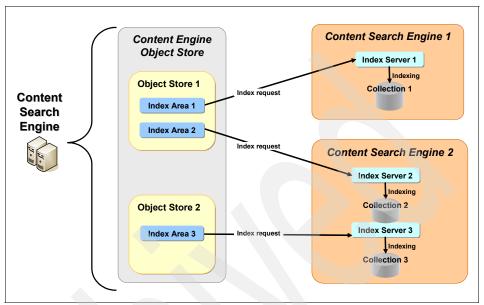


Figure 3-7 Content Engine sending index requests to Index Servers

3.6.6 K2 Broker and Search Servers

The content search process is the heart of a Content Search Engine system. Content Search Engine divides this process across two types of servers: K2 Broker Server and Search Server. When there is a search request, Content Engine sends the request to one of the Broker Servers. That Broker Server, in turn, divides the request into smaller pieces and spreads these pieces across a number of Search Servers. The configuration of each Broker Server determines to which Search Servers that broker distributes the request. When the Search Servers return their results to the Broker Server, it collates and merges the data into a single response and returns that response to the requesting Content Engine. Because the search process is one of the most critical functions of the Content Search Engine system, Search Servers are sometimes referred to simply as *K2 Servers*.

As with the farming capabilities of Application Engine, Content Engine, and Process Engine, this architecture allows automatic load balancing and scalability: as more Search Servers are added, individual searches can be spread over more servers, allowing faster response times. This process is called *parallel querying*. It also provides for automatic high availability: if a particular Search

Server fails, as long as at least one Search Server is available, the search process can still function.

Search Servers can access the collection files either as a local disk or through a network share, such as CIFS or NFS. Content Engines are automatically made aware of the Broker and Search Servers in the K2 domain by querying the Master Administration Server. When new Brokers or Search Servers are added, the Content Engines are automatically kept up-to-date.

3.6.7 Communication protocols

As a client of Content Search Engine, Content Engine connects to the Content Search Engine as a K2 Java client over TCP/IP. Installing the Content Search Engine client software on each of the Content Engine servers in the farm and then redeploying the FileNetEngine.ear file installs the necessary K2 Java client files.



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FileNet P8 data relationships and dependencies

This chapter describes the data relationships and dependences for IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 system components. The primary goal is to describe them in detail to support the design of a backup and disaster recovery strategy based on the backup and replication techniques described in this book.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Content Engine data relationships, dependencies
- Process Engine relationship to Content Engine
- Image Services relationship to the Content Engine

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4.1 Content Engine data relationships, dependencies

Content Engine provides the document and content management engine for FileNet P8. The three core data components of the Content Engine are the *Global Configuration Database* (GCD), the *object stores*, and *content storage*. These data components are grouped together to form a *FileNet P8 domain*.

4.1.1 FileNet P8 domain overview

The GCD database consists of a set of tables that define the FileNet P8 domain. The data components of a FileNet P8 domain are directly contained, or indirectly referenced, in the GCD. Figure 4-1 shows a high-level overview of the data components that encompass a FileNet P8 domain.

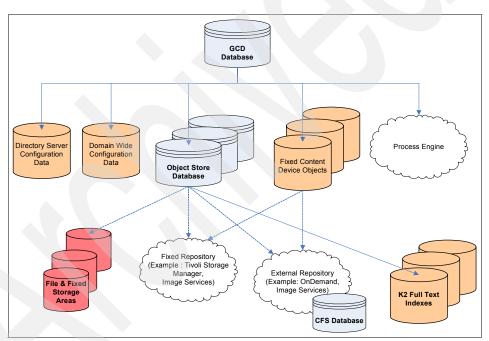


Figure 4-1 FileNet P8 Domain overview

A FileNet P8 domain consists of the following components:

▶ GCD

A set of database tables that directly contain or indirectly reference the data components of a FileNet P8 domain

Directory Server configuration data

Configuration data for the authorization and authentication servers of the FileNet P8 domain

► Domain wide configuration data

Global configuration data for the FileNet P8 domain and sites within the domain

Object store database

A set of database tables that define an object store, including the built in database storage area

▶ Process Engine

Process Engine configuration information for accessing isolated regions from FileNet P8 applications

File storage area

A set of directories and files that define a file system based storage area

Fixed storage area

A set of directories and files that define the staging area of a fixed content device-based storage area

Fixed content device objects

Configuration information that defines a reference to a fixed content repository or an external repository

Fixed repository

An Image Services, Tivoli Storage Manager, Snaplock, or Centera fixed content repository

External repository

A Content Manager OnDemand (OnDemand), Image Services, or other external repository

CFS database

A set of database tables used for document federation

K2 full text index collections

The index collections that support of full text indexing of content and metadata

Important: Take all components of a FileNet P8 domain into account when implementing a backup or disaster recovery solution. To avoid data lost or inconsistent relationships between data, all data components of a FileNet P8 domain must be included in the set of data that is backed up or replicated. The backup or replication set must also be *synchronized* across the data of the FileNet P8 domain, meaning that all components must be backed up and replicated at the same point in time.

4.1.2 GCD database relationship

The GCD database contains a set of references to other databases in the FileNet P8 domain. The GCD database and all databases referenced by the GCD must be maintained in a synchronized state (all databases must be included in the backup or replication scheme).

The core GCD information is stored in a single *active* row in the FNGCD table as XML data. The FNGCD table always contains more than one row, but only the row with the highest sequence number (*epoch*) is the active row. All other rows are previous, inactive rows. Rows in the FNGCD table are never altered or deleted, they are always superseded by a new row with a higher epoch value. Figure 4-2 shows the relationship between the GCD database and other FileNet P8 databases referenced by the GCD.

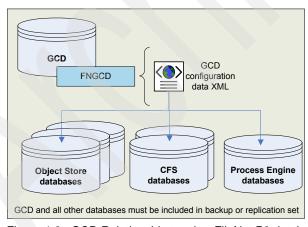


Figure 4-2 GCD Relationship to other FileNet P8 databases

Cross object store object references

An object store can contain metadata objects that have references to objects in a separate object store in the FileNet P8 domain. To maintain the proper relationship between objects that cross object store boundaries, all object store databases of a FileNet P8 domain must be included in a synchronized backup or replication set.

Note: If a FileNet P8 domain contains an object store with references to objects in an object store in a separate FileNet P8 domain, then both FileNet P8 domains must be included in the synchronized backup or replication set.

4.1.3 Object store relationship between metadata and content

The object store data relationship that we discuss is the relationship between the metadata that is stored in the database, and the content that is stored external to the database. The key issues are the synchronization of the metadata and content, and the risk that metadata and content can become out of sync, resulting in a broken document. A *broken document* is an *orphan* document if there is metadata but no content, or a *widow* document if there is content but no metadata that is pointing to the content.

Out-of-sync and broken document

Data stored in multiple tables in a database that have dependencies among them are always in sync. The transactional nature of the database is that either all updates to all tables are applied or all updates are rolled back. Content that is stored in a database storage area is always synchronized with the associated metadata, but content stored outside the database is not governed by the transactional nature of the database and, therefore, can be out of sync with the document metadata. How can the metadata and content be out of sync? How can a document be broken? Consider the two diagrams in Figure 4-3 on page 72

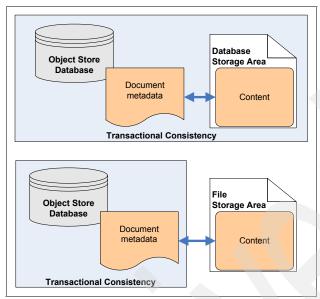


Figure 4-3 Transactional consistency

In the first diagram, the content is stored in a database storage area. Synchronization between the document metadata and content is guaranteed by database consistency. If the entire database is backed up and restored (or replicated) as a single entity, the relationship between the document metadata and the content remains synchronized.

In the second diagram, the content is stored in a file storage area. The database alone cannot guarantee synchronization between the metadata and content, because database transactional consistency does not extend to the content files stored in the file system. Instead, synchronization between the metadata and content is provided by the Content Engine, using a queuing mechanism to emulate transactional consistency.

Synchronization of content stored in file storage areas can be broken if the database and file system backups (or replication) are not coordinated. For example, if the database and file storage areas need to be restored, and the database is restored to an 11:00 a.m. backup, but the file storage areas are restored to a 10:00 a.m. backup, the metadata and content are then out of sync.

To understand the relationship between metadata and content, we next explore the Content Engine document model. We follow that with a discussion of the various forms of content storage: database storage, file storage, fixed storage, and federated content storage.

4.1.4 Content Engine document model

This section describes the Content Engine document model. We use the term *document* to describe any object that can contain content managed by the Content Engine.

Documents, reservations, and annotations

The Content Engine objects that can contain content are as follows:

- Document: A checked in object containing metadata and, optionally, content.
- Reservation: A document in a special reservation state. A reservation has all the attributes of a document, and can be checked in to transform it into a document.
- Annotation: An annotation has many attributes in common with a document, but it cannot contain multiple versions and is always associated with an actual document.

When a specific object type must be referenced, we say it is a checked in document, a reservation, or an annotation.

Document version series

A *version series* is a set of related documents that represents the history of changes to the document over time. A version series always has a single, current version. It can also have previous, superseded versions, and a single reservation object. Figure 4-4 shows a version series with three documents, consisting of a current version and two previous versions.

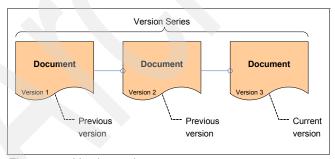


Figure 4-4 Version series

To create a new version in a version series, the current version is first checked out, which creates a new reservation object. The reservation object can then be checked in, transforming it into the new current document of the version series. The check-out and check-in process is seen in Figure 4-5 on page 74

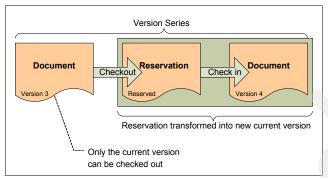


Figure 4-5 Reservation check-out and check-in process

Content Engine document, metadata plus content

A Content Engine document consists of metadata and content. The metadata is stored in the object store database, and the content is stored in a storage area, as seen in Figure 4-6.

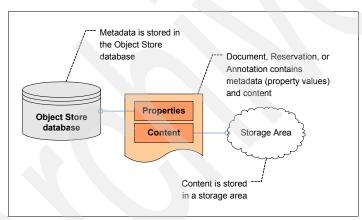


Figure 4-6 Content Engine document

Content elements, transfer versus reference

A Content Engine document has a set of zero or more content elements. Each content element is either a content transfer element or content reference element, as seen in Figure 4-7 on page 75.

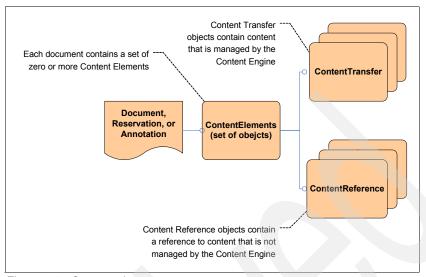


Figure 4-7 Content elements

A content reference element contains a link to some form of external content. For example, a content reference element might contain a Web page address. The content that the link is pointing to (in this case the content of the Web page) is not maintained by the Content Engine; it is strictly an application feature.

A content transfer element always points to content managed by the Content Engine. The content may be stored in database, file, or fixed storage. The term content element is used as shorthand for a content transfer element in this book, because we are discussing content that is managed only by the Content Engine. The term *content element blob* is used to refer to the content bytes of the content element.

Immutable content elements

The Content Engine implements an *immutable content* model. After a content element is committed to the system, the content element blob is never altered by the Content Engine. The resulting content model for the Content Engine is write once, read often, and optionally delete once. The immutable content model applies to all document objects, including checked in documents, reservations, and annotations. Immutable content, meaning immutable content blobs, is not to be confused with a mutable *set* of content elements, our next topic.

Mutable content element set

A document has a set of zero or more content elements. For a checked-in document, the content element set is immutable, but for a reservation or annotation the set is mutable.

When the set is mutable, new content elements can be added and existing elements can be deleted, but the content bytes of a given element cannot be altered. As an example, a reservation contains a single content element with a content element sequence number of zero. An application allows the user to check in the reservation, supplying a modified version of the content bytes. The application must delete the existing content element and add the new content element. To the user it appears that the content is replaced on check in, but the new content is assigned content element sequence one and the old content (sequence zero) is deleted. Most applications make this type of *delete and add* behavior transparent to the user.

Unique Content Element blob naming

Each content blob stored by the Content Engine has a unique name, regardless of what type of storage area is used. For example, the file name of a content element blob in a file storage area is unique within a FileNet P8 domain. Having a unique name for each content blob simplifies restoration of an individual piece of content. Later in this chapter, we explore how the unique name is implemented for each type of storage area.

Content deduplication

Content *deduplication* is a process used by the Content Engine to prevent the storage of redundant content element blobs. Deduplication applies to a complete content blob, and is always relative to a storage area, it never crosses a storage area boundary. The Content Engine supports deduplication of content stored in database and file system storage areas.

Content deduplication is an optional feature that can be enabled for a given area, but by default it is disabled for an area. Figure 4-8 on page 77 shows an overview of the content deduplication process flow. The implementation details are different for database and file storage, and are described within the database and file storage topics.

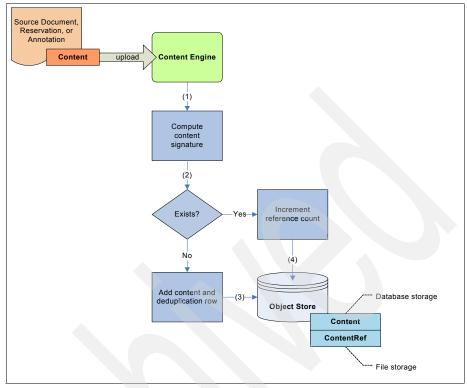


Figure 4-8 Content deduplication process flow

The figure shows the following steps:

- 1. During content upload a signature is computed based on the bytes of the content element blob.
- After upload, the system determines whether the content element blob already exists in the target storage area, using a deduplication table in the object store database. Database storage deduplication is implemented in the Content table and file storage deduplication is implemented in the ContentRef# table.
- 3. If the content is new, it is saved to the system and a deduplication row is established.
- 4. If the content already exists, the reference count for the deduplication row is incremented and the content is not saved to the system (because it already exists in the system).

The remainder of this section explains database, file, and fixed storage, and federated content, K2 full text indexing, and the Process Engine. For each storage area type we explore the following topics:

- Brief architectural overview
- Unique blob naming
- Relationship to properties of a document
- Content deduplication (database and file storage)
- Content finalization
- ► How a document and content can be out of sync (file and fixed storage)

4.1.5 Database storage

A database storage area is implemented as a single table (named Content) within the object store database. Each content element blob is stored as a row in the Content table, as depicted in Figure 4-9.

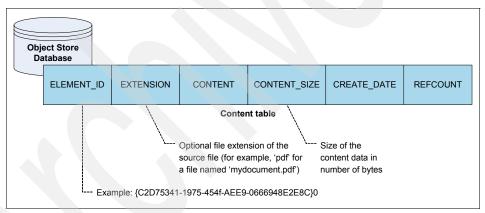


Figure 4-9 Content element blob in database storage

Unique blob naming

The ELEMENT_ID column of the Content table is used to make the row unique, providing the unique blob name for database storage. The column is a concatenation of the document object ID and the content element sequence number. For example, the element ID value for content element zero of a document with an object ID of {C2D75341-1975-454f-AEE9-0666948E2E8C} appears as follows:

{C2D75341-1975-454f-AEE9-0666948E2E8C}0

Relationship to properties of a document

A row in the Content table is related to the document object by two properties, the documents object ID and the content element sequence number (of the content element), as seen in Figure 4-10.

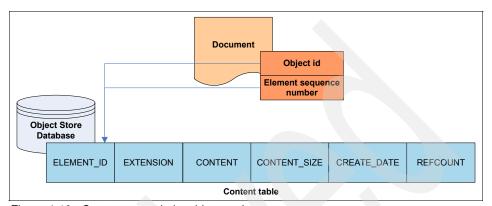


Figure 4-10 Content row relationship to a document

Database content deduplication

Database storage deduplication is implemented in the Content table, and makes use of the REFCOUNT column, introduced in Content Engine version 4.5.1. Redundant content elements are not added to the Content table when the optional deduplication feature is enabled. Two significant differences exist in how the Content table is used when deduplication is enabled, shown in Figure 4-11.

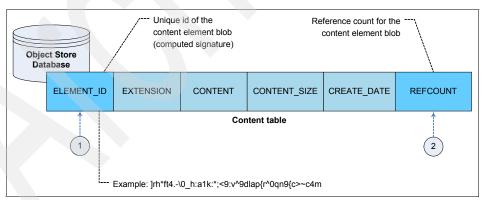


Figure 4-11 Database storage deduplication

For deduplicated content, the ELEMENT_ID column (1) contains a string version of content signature instead of a concatenation of the object ID and content element sequence number. The content signature is also stored as part of the document metadata, but is not exposed through the API.

For deduplicated content, the REFCOUNT column (2) is used to keep track of how many content elements are currently referencing the content blob row.

Finalizing a document to a database storage area

We use the term *finalized* to describe the process of making content a persistent member of a storage area. The process of finalizing content varies by storage area type, and is described for each type in this chapter. Content for a document in the database storage area is finalized to the system in three steps, as seen in Figure 4-12.

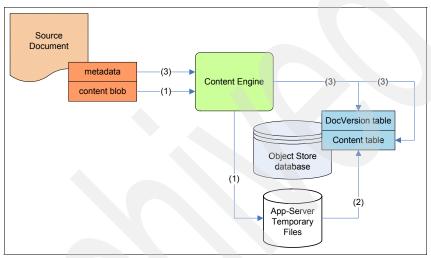


Figure 4-12 Database content finalization

The figure shows the following steps, which are used to finalize database content:

- 1. Content element blobs are uploaded to files in temporary file system storage. The temporary files are normally located in a non-shared directory under the application server installation files.
- The content is read from the temporary files and inserted into rows in the Content table. Each Content table row represents a single content element blob. The rows are inserted in a non-finalized form, which means that the ELEMENT_ID column is set to a special value that indicates that the content is not yet finalized.
- A transaction is started, a row for the document metadata is inserted into the DocVersion table, and the associated Content rows are updated to the finalized state (the ELEMENT_ID column is changed from the temporary value to the finalized value).

Note: The content upload process is more complex when large content blobs and multiple Content Engine servers are involved. For the purpose of this book, only simple content upload processing is described.

4.1.6 File storage

A file storage area consists of a set of directories and files, contained under a single root directory. Content element blobs are stored in files known as *content element files*. Figure 4-13 depicts the file storage area structure, including the location of a single content element file.

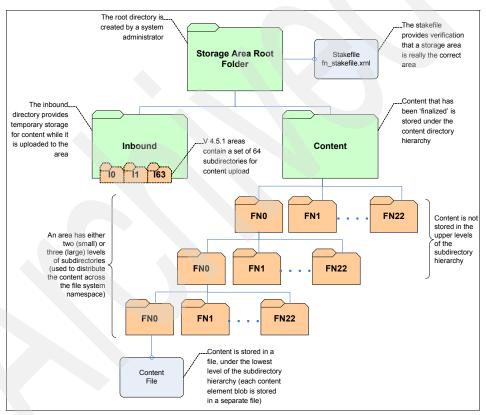


Figure 4-13 File storage area structure

Unique blob naming

Each content element blob is stored in a separate content element file. The file name of the content element file is formatted in a way that makes it unique throughout a FileNet P8 domain, as seen in Figure 4-14 on page 82.

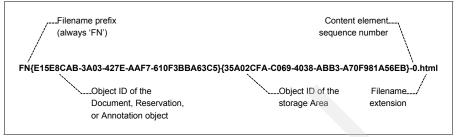


Figure 4-14 Content element file name

The path to the content element file within the file storage area directory structure is computed based on the document object ID and the structure of the area (small or large structure). The full path is not stored as part of the document metadata, it is always computed at runtime.

Relationship to properties of a document

A content element file is related to a document by four properties:

- Object ID of the document
- Storage area ID (where the document is stored)
- Content element sequence number
- Content element retrieval name

The relationship between the file name and the document metadata is seen in Figure 4-15.

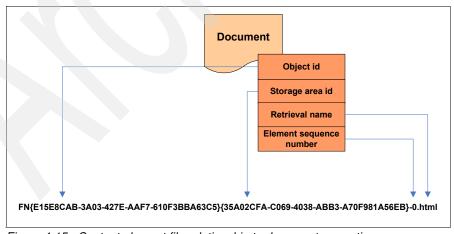


Figure 4-15 Content element file relationship to document properties

File storage content deduplication

File storage content deduplication is implemented using the ContentRef# table, introduced in Content Engine version 4.5.1. Redundant content elements are not added to the file storage area when the optional deduplication feature is enabled.

Each file storage area that is enabled for deduplication has its own ContentRef# table. A sequence number is appended to the table name, starting with the number one (1). The first area that is enabled for deduplication is assigned ContentRef1, the second area is assigned ContentRef2, and so on.

The primary key to the ContentRef# table is the content signature value that is computed during content upload. The signature uniquely identifies the content blob within a file storage area. The ContentRef# table also contains a count of how many content elements are referencing the row.

The file name for a deduplicated content element file is based on the signature value, and not the document object ID. The hash value is binary and cannot be used directly as the file name, so instead it is converted to a valid file name string (hex encoded string), shown in Figure 4-16.

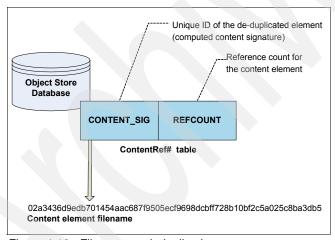


Figure 4-16 File storage deduplication

Finalizing a document to a file storage area

Content for a document in a file storage area is finalized to the system in three steps, as seen in Figure 4-17.

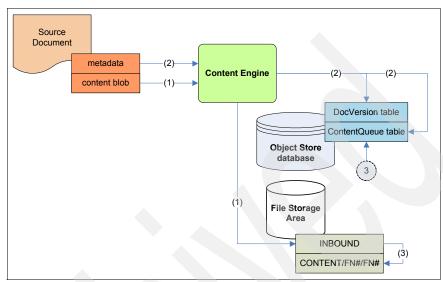


Figure 4-17 File system content finalization

The figure shows the following steps, which are used to finalize file system content:

- Content element blobs are uploaded to content element files in the inbound directory of the file storage area. The upload is executed before a database transaction is started by the Content Engine.
- 2. A transaction is started, a row for the document metadata is inserted into the DocVersion table, and a set of rows requesting the content be finalized are inserted into the ContentQueue table. The transaction then either commits or aborts. If the transaction aborts, the DocVersion and ContentQueue rows are not saved to the database, and no reference to the document exists in the object store. The content element files that are uploaded in step 1 are cleaned up by the Content Engine. If the transaction commits, the content is considered to be committed to the system, but still must be finalized (moved from the inbound directory to the final content subdirectory).
- 3. After the transaction commits, a background thread processes the ContentQueue rows. The content element file is finalized by being renamed from the inbound directory to the content subdirectory.

Reasons for broken documents

There are two significant cases related to backup and disaster recovery that can cause broken documents in a file storage area:

- Non-synchronized backup and restore of the object store database and file storage areas
- Disaster recovery failover to a replicated site

There are of course other things that can cause broken documents, such as media failure and malicious tampering. But in this chapter we only discuss the causes that are related to backup and disaster recovery implementations.

Non-synchronized backup and restore

If the object store database and file system that contains the file storage areas are restored to different points in time, the result can be broken documents. For example, if the database is restored to 11:00 a.m. and the file system is restored to 10:00 a.m., all content element files created from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. are missing, and all associated documents are broken.

Disaster recovery failover to a replicated site

There are two types of replication that can be used to maintain a disaster recovery site: fully synchronized replication, and replication as needed. The first type of replication is equivalent to a synchronized backup and restore. All FileNet P8 components are shut down and then all data is replicated to the secondary site. This type of replication prevents broken documents, but has obvious operational limitations. The second type of replication is the more common case, the data is replicated continuously as needed. But this type of replication can result in broken documents if deployed incorrectly.

If the database and file storage areas are replicated as part of a consistency group, broken documents after the disaster failover are unlikely to occur. This is the result of the order in which the Content Engine processes content ingestion. Because the content is uploaded to the inbound directory prior to a reference to the document being created, there are not any documents that reference non-existent content. This type of replication configuration is shown in Figure 4-18 on page 86.

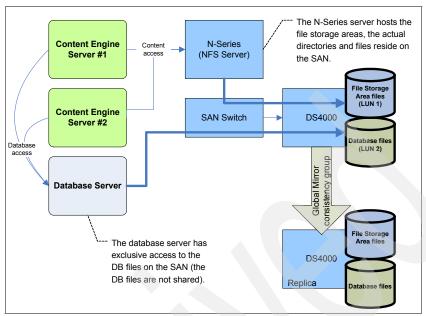


Figure 4-18 Replication using a single consistency group

If the database and file storage areas are not replicated as part of a consistency group, broken documents are a good possibility, because the database and content files are not synchronized. An example of this type of disjointed replication is shown in Figure 4-19.

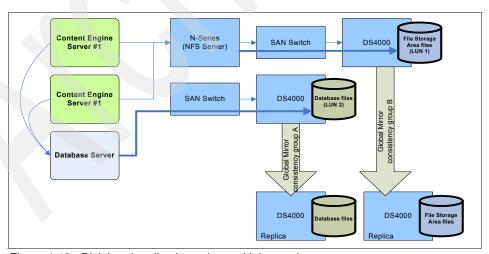


Figure 4-19 Disjointed replication using multiple consistency groups

4.1.7 Fixed storage

A fixed storage area has two parts, a file storage area known as the staging area, and a reference to a fixed content repository. The staging area is used to upload content, hold content for reservations and annotation, and temporarily hold content for documents that are pending migration to the fixed repository. The fixed repository (of the fixed storage area) is used to store the content of checked-in documents.

Note: A staging area has the same physical structure as a file storage area (a staging area is implemented as a file storage area with a small directory structure). The content in a staging area is not temporary data, it is content that is used by documents in the system. The staging area directories and files must be backed up or replicated as part of the disaster recovery scheme.

When a document is in the staging area, it is treated like a document in a file storage area. The relationship between metadata and content is the same as with a file storage area. After a document is migrated to a fixed repository, the document metadata is updated to include a reference to the content in the fixed repository. The content element files are then removed from the staging area.

The metadata to fixed content relationship is shown in Figure 4-20.

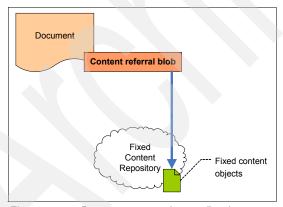


Figure 4-20 Document metadata to fixed content relationship

Content referral blob

The metadata reference to content stored in a fixed repository is known as the *content referral blob* (or just referral blob). The referral blob is a column of the DocVersion table, and contains information needed to access the fixed content associated with a document.

A referral blob consists of two parts, the first part is housekeeping information, and is the same for all fixed repository types. The second part is the device specific address of the content stored in the fixed repository. The content address is used by the Content Engine to access the fixed content.

Unique content blob naming

For some fixed repositories the content address is computed by the Content Engine, and for others it is computed by the repository (the repository computes an address based on the content bytes). However, in all cases, the content address provides a unique content blob name for a content element blob. An example of a referral blob with a Content Engine computed address is shown in Figure 4-21. The example depicts an address for content stored in a Tivoli Storage Manager repository.

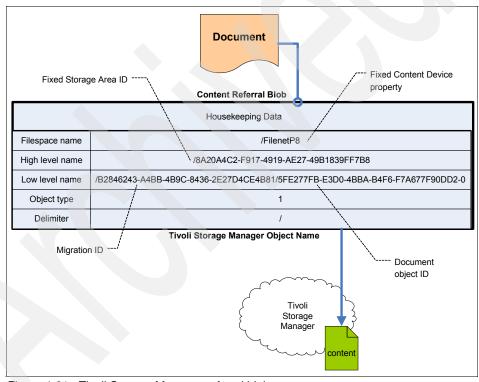


Figure 4-21 Tivoli Storage Manager referral blob

Relationship to properties of a document

As Figure 4-21 shows, a document is related to fixed content through the content referral blob. The referral blob is document metadata that is not exposed through the Content Engine API.

Migrating a document to a fixed storage area

Content for a document that is bound for a fixed repository is written to the repository in two phases. The first phase finalizes the content to the staging area, in exactly the same manner as a content is finalized to a file storage area (see Figure 4-17 on page 84). The second phase *migrates* the content from the fixed storage area to the fixed repository.

Migration processing is driven from the content queue table. When a document is checked in, a request is added to the content queue table to migrate the content to a fixed repository, and to delete the source content from the staging area.

The migration process is shown in Figure 4-22.

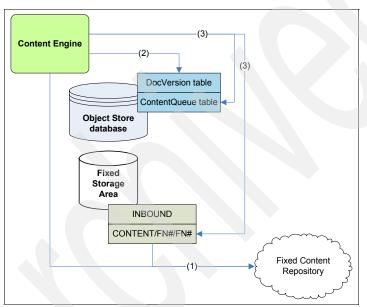


Figure 4-22 Content migration to a fixed repository

The figure shows the steps that are used to migrate content to a fixed repository:

- A background thread processes the content queue request, writing the content to the fixed repository. When the content is migrated, the repository relative content address is computed. The content address is then used to create the content referral blob for the document.
- 2. The background task updates the document object, setting the content referral blob. After the content referral blob is set, future requests to retrieve or delete the content access the fixed repository, not the staging area.
- 3. The background task deletes the source content from the staging area, and deletes the request row from the content queue table.

Note: A document is migrated to a fixed repository only when it is checked in. Most applications combine document creation with check-in, which appears to the user as a single action. The content of documents in the reservation state, and the content of annotations, is not migrated to the fixed repository.

Reason for broken documents

Each fixed content repository has its own scheme for preventing data loss, implementing replication, and participating in a disaster recovery scheme. A broken document can only exist if the content referral blob points to content that has been lost on the fixed repository, shown in Figure 4-23.

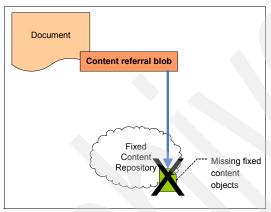


Figure 4-23 Content missing from a fixed repository

The system architect must consult with the fixed content repository vendor to determine the best approach to implementing disaster recovery for the specific repository to minimize the possibility of content being lost from the device.

4.1.8 Federated content

The Content Engine supports two types of *federated content*:

- Federated content with Content Federation Services for IBM Content Manager OnDemand (CFS-CMOD) and Content Federation Services using IBM Content Integrator. This type is described in this section.
- ► Federated content with Content Federation Services for Image Services (CFS-IS). This type is described in 4.3, "Image Services relationship to the Content Engine" on page 99.

Note: When we talk about an IBM Content Integrator repository, we are talking about an external repository that is supported by Content Integrator. Content Integrator is not a content repository; instead it supports easy and uniformed access to various external repositories.

Federated content is very much like fixed content, in that it is stored in an external repository and accessed from the Content Engine using a content referral blob. The key difference between federated and fixed content is how it is ingested into the Content Engine. Fixed content is considered to be native content, because it is ingested directly into the Content Engine. Federated content is considered to be external content, because it is originally ingested into an external repository, then federated into the Content Engine. Figure 4-24 shows the difference between federated and fixed content ingestion.

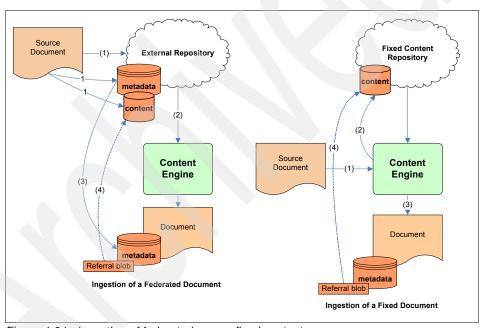


Figure 4-24 Ingestion of federated versus fixed content

Ingestion of a federated document has the following steps:

- 1. The document is ingested into the external repository, using an application of the repository.
- 2. The document is federated into the Content Engine, creating a Content Engine document.

- The Content Engine document receives a copy of the metadata of the external document.
- 4. The Content Engine document has a referral blob that points to the content in the external repository.

Ingestion of a document with fixed content has the following steps:

- 1. The document is ingested into Content Engine, using a Content Engine application.
- 2. The Content Engine creates a document and migrates the content to the fixed content repository (after storing it temporarily in the staging area).
- 3. The Content Engine document has a referral blob that points to the content stored in the fixed repository.

CFS database

A separate database is used to support CFS-CMOD and CFS implementation (using IBM Content Integrator) federation. The database is known as the CFS database (sometimes referred to as the federation database). The CFS database is used to store the following data:

- Configuration data used by the CFS implementation (using IBM Content Integrator) administration tool, the OnDemand administration tool, and the CFS Import Agent
- ► Import request data, the CFS exporter inserts import requests into the CFS database, which are then processed by the CFS Import Agent to create Content Engine documents
- Mapping between objects in the external repository and the corresponding objects within the Content Engine

The CFS database is used only during the federation process; it is not used to access the metadata or content after the Content Engine document has been created. The CFS database is needed to support re-import from the external repository to the Content Engine. If the CFS database is inconsistent with the object store database, re-importing can fail. Therefore, the following tasks are important:

- Always include all CFS databases in any backup and disaster recovery scheme.
- Keep the CFS databases in sync with the GCD and object store databases of the FileNet P8 domain.

Revision history federation

The *CFS Import Agent* can process external documents with either a single version or with a revision history (also known as a version series). When the CFS Import Agent processes a revision history, it creates a mirror image of the history in the Content Engine, as a version series. To maintain the relationship between external objects and the corresponding objects in the Content Engine, the CFS Import Agent creates a mapping within the CFS database.

That mapping is shown in Figure 4-25.

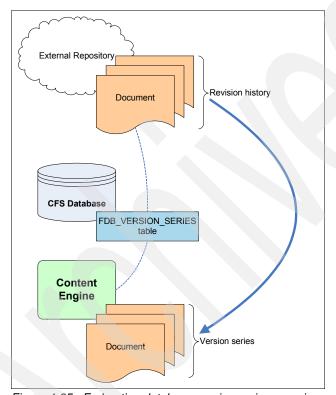


Figure 4-25 Federation database version series mapping

4.1.9 Autonomy K2 relationship to the Content Engine

The Content Engine supports full-text indexing and queries through K2¹. Content and property values of certain classes can be sent to K2 for full text indexing. K2 processes the data, creating *index collections*, which can be used to perform full text queries that join data in the collections to objects that are stored in the Content Engine.

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An overview of full text indexing is shown in Figure 4-26.

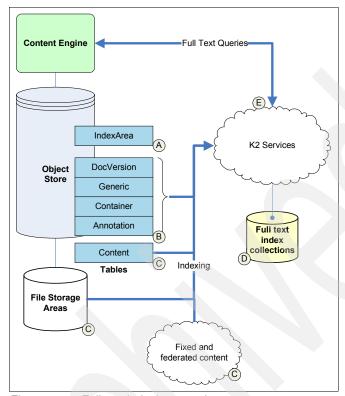


Figure 4-26 Full text indexing overview

Full text indexing consists of the following major components:

- ► Label A: The IndexArea table stores configuration data that relates Content Engine objects to K2 indexes.
- ▶ Label B: The DocVersion, Generic, Container, and Annotation tables can be index enabled, allowing property values of the tables to be indexed.
- ► Label C: Content from all storage area types can be full text indexed. For database and fixed storage areas the content must be retrieved and written to a temporary file for indexing.
- ▶ Label D: K2 maintains a set of full text index collections. The Content Engine does not access the indexes directly.
- ► Label E: The Content Engine uses K2 to perform full text queries on property values and content.

Relationship between Content Engine and K2 collections

A Content Engine object that is full text indexed has a pointer to the K2 collection where the index data is stored. The pointer is the INDEXATION_ID property, which is defined on each class that supports full text indexing.

Each *item* in a K2 collection contains the object ID of the related Content Engine object. When a full text query is executed, K2 builds a result set and returns it to the Content Engine. The object IDs of the matching Content Engine objects are embedded in the result set. The object IDs can be used to join the K2 result set to objects in the Content Engine. The relationship between Content Engine metadata and K2 full text index collection items are shown in Figure 4-27.

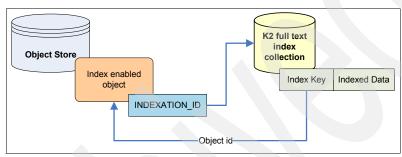


Figure 4-27 Relationship between K2 items and Content Engine objects

Backup and disaster recovery considerations

The K2 full text index collections must be included in the backup and replication data set for a FileNet P8 Domain. Although the indexes can be rebuilt from the source data, rebuilding the indexes can be very resource-intensive and time-consuming. The best practice is to back up (or replicate the index collections), and to synchronize the backups (or replication) with the complete FileNet P8 Domain data set.

Non-synchronized index collection backup

If the collection backups (or replicas) are not synchronized with the object store backup, the results of full text queries can be invalid. For example, if a collection is restored to a point in time before the object store database restoration time, the collection can be missing references to Content Engine objects. The out-of-sync collections can also include references to Content Engine objects that are no longer valid. For example, an out of date collection may include a reference to an object based on property values that have been altered on the object because the time the object was originally indexed.

Re-indexing collections to fix synchronization issues

An administrator can re-index Content Engine objects to fix synchronization issues between index collections and an object store database. The types of re-index operations that a system administrator can choose from are re-index all classes, re-index a collection, and re-index of selected classes.

Re-index all classes

The re-index all classes operation can be used to re-index all content and property values of an object store. The Content Engine performs a complete re-index of all index enabled objects, creating a new set of index collections. When the operation is finished, the new collections replace the previous collections.

Re-index a collection

All objects that are indexed into a given collection can be re-indexed using the collection re-index option. Objects are selected for re-indexing based on the indexation ID of the object. A new collection is created and replaces the previous collection when the re-index operation completes. This option is useful for restoring a single collection, but remember that only objects that are already indexed into the collection are re-indexed, no new objects are added to the collection.

Re-index of selected classes

All objects belonging to a class can be re-index. The re-index operation can span multiple collections (if objects from multiple collections are included in the class to being re-indexed). Re-indexing selected classes does not cause the index collections to be rebuilt and replaced; rather, individual objects are deleted and re-indexed into the collections.

4.2 Process Engine relationship to Content Engine

Process Engine manages workflow among people and systems for content and human-intensive processes.

The Process Engine stores data in a database (the Process Engine database) and in the Content Engine, as standard Content Engine objects. The Process Engine database is logically subdivided into *isolated regions*.

Each isolated region can contain references to objects in multiple Content Engine Object stores, as shown in Figure 4-28.

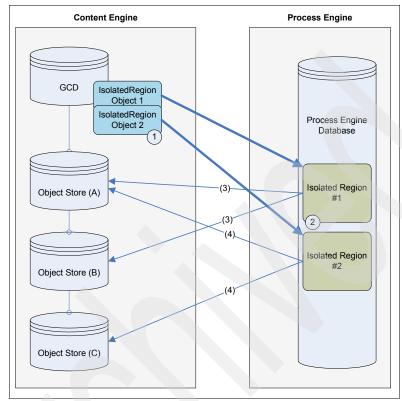


Figure 4-28 Isolated region to object store mapping

As labeled in Figure 4-28, the Process Engine and Content Engine have the following cross system dependencies:

- ► Label 1: The Content Engine maintains IsolatedRegion objects in the GCD. An IsolatedRegion object contains connection information used by the Content Engine to access the Process Engine.
- Label 2: The Process Engine Isolated Regions contain objects that have references to objects in the Content Engine.
- ► Label 3: Isolated region 1 contains objects that reference Content Engine objects in object stores A and B.
- ► Label 4: Isolated region 2 contains objects that reference Content Engine objects in object stores A and C.

A more detailed view of the relationship between an isolated region and an object store is shown in Figure 4-29.

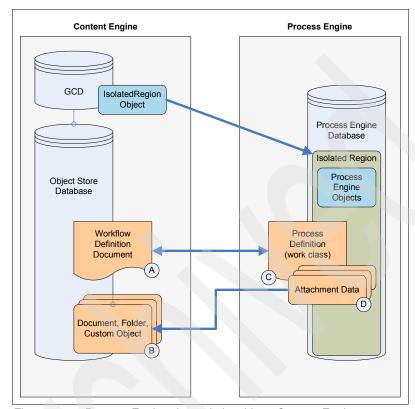


Figure 4-29 Process Engine data relationship to Content Engine

The *process designer* is a feature in Workplace or Workplace XT that is used to create *workflow definition* documents in the Content Engine. To use the workflow, the workflow definition documents must be transferred to Process Engine, which creates object level dependencies between the Process Engine and the Content Engine, as shown in Figure 4-29:

- Label A: A workflow definition document is created by the process designer application. The document is an instance of a special Content Engine document class, called the Workflow Definition class. Creation of a workflow definition document alone does not create corresponding objects in the Process Engine. The corresponding objects are created in Process Engine when the workflow is transferred to the Process Engine.
- ► Label B: Content Engine objects can be attached to a workflow definition document. The attachment objects can be any type of Content Engine object, for example, a document, a folder, or a custom object.

▶ Labels C and D: When the workflow is transferred to the Process Engine, a corresponding process definition object (C) with a set of corresponding attachment fields (D) is created within the isolated region. The transfer of the workflow results in a set of related objects in the Process Engine and the Content Engine, which must be synchronized across backup and replication sets.

To maintain the proper relationship between objects in the Process Engine and corresponding objects in the Content Engine, the Process Engine databases must be included with the object store databases in the synchronized backup or replication set.

4.3 Image Services relationship to the Content Engine

In a FileNet P8 environment, Image Services can be a repository for either federated or fixed FileNet P8 content, depending on whether a document originates from Image Services (federated) or from FileNet P8 (fixed). In both cases, the process that enables the technical relationship is Content Federation Services for Image Services (CFS-IS). In this section, we explain the relationship at a high level. For more details, see the following references:

- Product Documentation for IBM FileNet Content Federation Services http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3318&uid=swg27010328
- Product Documentation for IBM FileNet Image Services http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3283&uid=swg27010558
- ► IBM FileNet Content Federation Services for Image Services Guidelines ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/software/data/cm/filenet/docs/cfsdoc/is/4 5x/cfs_guide.pdf
- ► Federated Content Management Accessing Content From Anywhere with IBM Solutions, SG24-7742

http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redpieces/abstracts/sg247742.html?Open

4.3.1 CFS-IS architecture

CFS-IS is used to federate content from Image Services repositories. Image Services, also referred to as *Image Manager*, is a high-performance and highly scalable imaging solution that uses advanced caching and a distributed architecture to manage large volumes of critical business information.

Thousands of Image Services implementations exist worldwide, making CFS-IS a very important and popular offering. CFS-IS allows for the preservation of the investment made in Image Services, capitalizing on the breadth of functionality available in FileNet P8. Because of the prevalence of CFS-IS customers, we include it in this book as a key component in our architecture, testing, and discussion.

With CFS-IS, businesses can use high-speed ingestion methods such as High Performance Image Import (HPII), IBM FileNet Capture, or other Image Services ingestion tools. Content that is captured and stored in Image Services is cataloged in FileNet P8 using CFS-IS.

With CFS-IS, content stored in Image Services can be used by IBM FileNet Business Process Manager, IBM Enterprise Records, and made accessible through federated search.

Whether the content is federated (content ingested in Image Services, content stored in Image Services, metadata cataloged in Content Engine and, optionally, Image Services) or fixed (content ingested in FileNet P8, content stored in Image Services, metadata cataloged in Content Engine only), the Content Engine database contains the document metadata and a reference to the content.

CFS-IS Exporter IS Index Service **Federation Database** Destination **Source Repository** P8 CFS-IS Impor IS Remote Admin IS index db: export_log Repository IS index db: doctaba Agent IS perm db: annotatio Console IS perm db: annot_log P8 Object Store Schema Mapper P8 CFS-IS Import Agent Schema Mapping Editor P8 FileNet Enterprise P8 object stor

Figure 4-30 illustrates the CFS-IS conceptual model.

Figure 4-30 CFS-IS conceptual model

The figure shows the following CFS-IS components:

- Schema mapping editor
- Schema map
- ► Scheduler
- Source repository
- Exporter
- Image Services Import Agent
- Schema mapper
- Federation database
- Destination repository

Schema mapping editor

To prepare Image Services documents for federation, you create a *schema map* to map Image Services document classes and properties to FileNet P8 document classes and properties. This mapping occurs in FileNet P8 Content Engine (CE) using the Enterprise Manager.

Schema map

The results of the schema mapping process are persisted in both the FileNet P8 object store and the Image Services server database.

Scheduler

Unlike with other implementations of CFS, no scheduling is involved with CFS-IS federation. Federation happens automatically as new documents are created by Image Services native applications. Image Services document classes can be assigned a default FileNet P8 object store to allow this automatic federation to occur.

Source repository

The source repository for Image Services is the Image Services database. In particular, the following Image Services database tables contain the content for the federated documents:

- ► The doctaba database table (in Image Services index database) is the document source repository.
- ► The annotation database table (in Image Services Perm database) is the annotation source repository.

Exporters

The exporters for CFS-IS are the Image Services Index Service and the Image Services Remote Administration Console (RAC). The Image Services Index Service provides the real-time exporting function as documents are created, updated, or deleted in Image Services. RAC provides a batch mechanism to manually export or re-export documents to a FileNet P8 object store.

Image Services Import Agent

The importer for CFS-IS is the Image Services Import Agent that runs as part of FileNet P8 Content Engine.

Schema mapper

The schema mapper for CFS-IS is also the Image Services Import Agent that runs as part of FileNet P8 Content Engine.

Federation database

The federation database for Image Services are the following database tables on the Image Services server:

- ► The export_log table (in Image Services index database) is the document export queue.
- ► The annot_log table (in Image Services Perm database) is the annotation export queue.

Destination repository

As with all CFS implementations, the destination repository is the FileNet P8 object store.

4.3.2 Federation process

The CFS-IS federation process involves two distinct phases that are performed on the Image Services server and the FileNet P8 Content Engine server: exporting and importing.

Exporting

The exporting phase of CFS-IS occurs on the Image Services server. The Image Services export_log and annot_log database tables serve as an import queue for CFS-IS. The exporting phase of CFS-IS involves adding entries to these two tables that correspond to the Image Services documents and annotations that are being federated.

As Image Services documents are created, updated, or deleted, the Image Services Index Service uses the document class to determine if this document event must be federated. If so, it adds an entry to the export_log table containing the metadata identified by the schema map associated with the document class.

Annotations that are added, updated, or deleted from any Image Services document that has been federated are federated as well. These annotation events are added to the annot_log table.

You can use the Image Services Catalog Export Tool on the Image Services RAC to manually initiate the export of existing Image Services documents using INX_export. INX_export processes requests by retrieving all rows in the doctaba table that satisfy the selection criteria and puts them in the export_log table. Annotations associated with these documents are likewise entered in the annot_log table.

Importing

The importing phase of CFS-IS occurs within FileNet P8. The Image Services Import Agent, if enabled, runs continuously in the Content Engine server. The Image Services Import Agent periodically queries the Image Services server, which examines the export_log and annot_log tables for new entries. The import agent processes batches of rows at a time from these tables. After each batch has processed, it is removed from these tables.

The Image Services Import Agent performs the schema mapping function to map the Image Services document classes and properties to the FileNet P8 object model. Thus, it processes document create, update, and delete requests from the import queue and performs the corresponding action on the associated FileNet P8 document. For newly federated documents, it also creates the reference that is used by the FileNet P8 Content Engine server to access the content for the document back on the Image Services server.

4.3.3 Federated document operations

To manage federated Image Services documents, you may perform several operations on these documents including create, retrieve, lockdown, and delete.

Create

The create operation is performed by the Image Services Import Agent. The following list describes the details of this operation:

- Image Services documents federated to FileNet P8 cause a corresponding FileNet P8 document to be created with the mapped properties of the Image Services document.
- ► The FileNet P8 document contains a reference to the content of the Image Services document located on the Image Services server.
- ► Image Services document pages correspond to the associated FileNet P8 document's content elements.
- Annotations of the Image Services document cause corresponding FileNet P8 annotations to be created.
- ► These FileNet P8 annotations are associated to the FileNet P8 document that corresponds to the federated Image Services document.
- ▶ Unlike federated document content, the content of the Image Services annotation is copied into the corresponding FileNet P8 annotation. There is no reference back to the annotation content on the Image Services server.
- ► The FileNet P8 annotation content is stored in the storage area selected by the storage policy property of the FileNet P8 ISAnnotation document class. By default, this storage area is the FileNet P8 object store database.

Retrieve

You can retrieve the content of any federated Image Services document using FileNet P8 Workplace, Workplace XT, Enterprise Manager, or any custom application written to the FileNet P8 API.

When FileNet P8 retrieves federated content, it goes back to the Image Services server to get the native bytes. When FileNet P8 retrieves metadata, it returns (from the FileNet P8 object store) the mapped properties created or updated during federation.

Update

The content of federated documents cannot change. FileNet P8 and Image Services do not allow the content of a document version to change after it is checked in. Only the mapped properties can be updated. When property updates are made on the Image Services server for federated documents, the following conditions apply:

- Property updates of Image Services federated documents are propagated to FileNet P8 resulting in corresponding updates to the federated document's properties.
- ► If the Image Services document is re-exported, it overwrites all the corresponding FileNet P8 document's properties, including those that might have been updated by a FileNet P8 application.
- ▶ Updates to Image Services annotations federated to FileNet P8 cause the previous FileNet P8 annotation to be deleted and a new FileNet P8 annotation with the updated content to be created.

When property updates are made by FileNet P8 applications for federated documents, the following conditions apply:

- ▶ If the FileNet P8 properties of the federated document are updated by a FileNet P8 application, it causes future updates of those properties from Image Services to fail. To prevent FileNet P8 applications from updating FileNet P8 document properties of a federated Image Services document, we advise you to adopt procedures which avoid updates on the FileNet P8 side, or to use FileNet P8 security features to prevent such updates.
- The FileNet P8 property updates are only visible to FileNet P8 applications. These updates are not propagated back to Image Services.
- ▶ Because federated annotation content is copied into FileNet P8, updates to these annotations by FileNet P8 applications is the same as updates to regular FileNet P8 annotations. These updates are only visible to FileNet P8 applications and are not propagated back to Image Services.

Lockdown

To prevent updates by Image Services native applications to Image Services documents that have been federated, FileNet P8 applications such as IBM Enterprise Records can initiate a lockdown of the document on the Image Services server. The following list describes the details of this operation:

- Lockdown changes the security of the document on the Image Services server to prevent updates or deletes to that document by native Image Services applications for non-administrators.
- ► Lockdown requires additional configuration changes to be made to the Image Services server. These changes involve creating a security group for lockdown, adding the CFS user as a member of that group, and specifying the security behavior when the lockdown operation is invoked by FileNet P8 using this CFS user.

Delete

The delete operation of CFS-IS is bidirectional. The following list describes the details of this operation:

- Delete operations of Image Services documents by Image Services native applications are propagated to FileNet P8 where the corresponding FileNet P8 document is deleted.
- Delete operations of Image Services annotations by Image Services native applications are propagated to FileNet P8 where the corresponding FileNet P8 annotation is deleted.
- Delete operations from FileNet P8 applications of federated Image Services documents are propagated to Image Services where the corresponding Image Services document is deleted.
- ▶ Delete operations from FileNet P8 applications of federated Image Services annotations are propagated to Image Services where the corresponding Image Services annotation is deleted.



FileNet P8 data components to backup and replicate

This chapter describes the specific IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 data components that must be backed up or replicated. You should understand this information so that you can implement a backup and disaster recovery scheme.

Chapter 4, "FileNet P8 data relationships and dependencies" on page 67 described the FileNet P8 data dependencies and relationships, and why creating a synchronized backup or replication set across all the data components is important.

In this chapter, we define those data components, discuss how each component is referenced within the FileNet P8 domain, and how to locate the underlying data for each component.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Content Engine data requiring backup
- Process Engine data requiring backup
- ► Image Services data requiring backup

5.1 Content Engine data requiring backup

The following Content Engine components must be included in a synchronized backup or replication set:

- ▶ GCD database
- Object store databases
- File and fixed storage areas
- ► K2 full text index collections
- Process Engine database
- CFS databases
- External content
- Miscellaneous configuration files

Note: You must back up the Content Engine EAR file at least once after you install and configure the Content Engine software. The *FileNet Configuration Manager* compiles important system information, including the GCD data source names, into the Content Engine EAR file. The EAR file name and location differs for each application server:

- ► WebSphere: <CE install dir>\ContentEngine\lib\Engine-ws.ear
- ► WebLogic: <WebLogic_domain_dir>\Engine-wl.ear

This chapter does not address software binaries beyond the Content Engine EAR file. For software binaries, see Chapter 7, "Case study description and system setup" on page 145.

5.1.1 GCD database

In this section, we revisit the FileNet P8 domain overview diagram from the previous chapter, and discuss each major component individually. For each component, a revised version of the diagram is shown, highlighting the component under discussion. We start with the GCD database, shown in Figure 5-1 on page 109.

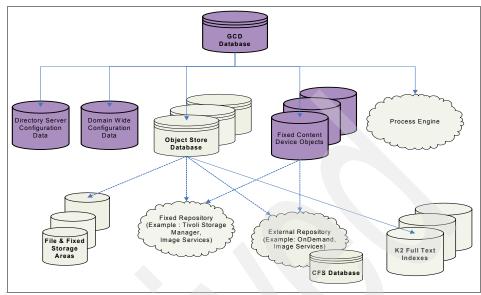


Figure 5-1 GCD database

Internal reference to the GCD database

The GCD database is referenced by a pair of JDBC data sources defined within the application server that hosts the Content Engine. The Content Engine obtains the GCD JDBC data source names from the Content Engine EAR file, which is deployed under the application server, shown in Figure 5-2.

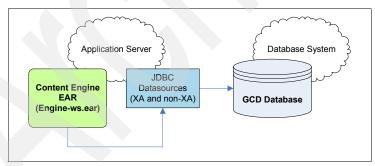


Figure 5-2 GCD database reference

Finding the GCD database

To determine the name and location of the GCD database, use the IBM FileNet *Configuration Manager*, and navigate to the Configure GCD JDBC Data Sources task for the proper Installation Profile. See Figure 5-3 on page 110.

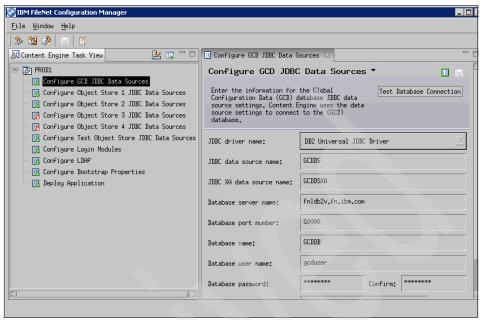


Figure 5-3 Configuration Manager GCD JDBC data source example

After you determine the GCD JDBC data source names, use the application server console to view the data source information. See Figure 5-4.

Select	Name 💠	JNDI name 🗘	Scope 🗘	Provider 🗘			
You c	You can administer the following resources:						
	GCDDS	GCDDS	Cell=p8Cell01	JDBC provider for DB2			
	GCDDSXA	GCDDSXA	Cell=p8Cell01	JDBC provider for DB2 (XA			
	OS1DS	OS1DS	Cell=p8Cell01	JDBC provider for DB2			
	OS1DSXA	OS1DSXA	Cell=p8Cell01	JDBC provider for DB2 (XA			

Figure 5-4 Application server console GCD JDBC data source example

Note: A limited set of optional Content Engine configuration files must be backed up. This set includes the FileNet.properties file and the rollfwd.properties file. When an optional configuration file is created and enabled for use by the Content Engine, it must be added to the set of files that are always backed up or replicated.

5.1.2 Object store databases

The next data component is the set of object store databases for the FileNet P8 domain. See Figure 5-5.

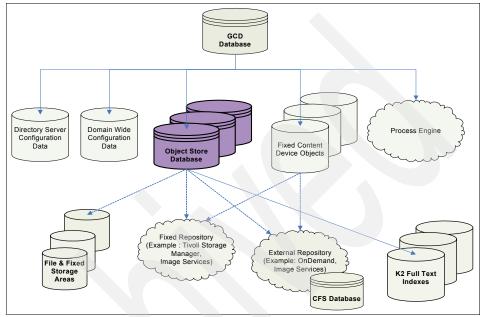


Figure 5-5 Object store databases

Internal reference to the object store database

Each object store database is referenced by a pair of JDBC data source names that are part of the GCD definition of the object store, as shown in Figure 5-6. The data source names are exposed in the Content Engine API as properties of the ObjectStore object.

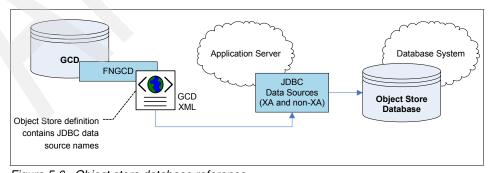


Figure 5-6 Object store database reference

Finding an object store database

To determine the name and location of an object store database, use Enterprise Manager, and navigate to the object store folder. An example of the Enterprise Manager dialog is shown in Figure 5-7. The pane on the right shows the value of the JNDI Data Source Names for the object store. Use the application server console to view the data source information of the object store JDBC data sources.

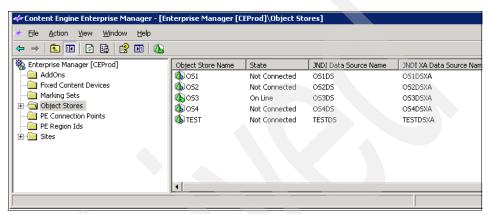


Figure 5-7 Object store properties dialog box

5.1.3 File and fixed storage areas

File storage areas and the staging area for fixed storage areas are shown in Figure 5-8.

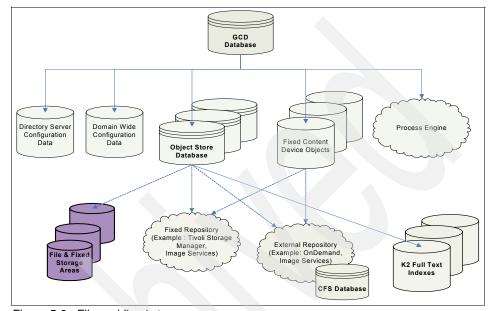


Figure 5-8 File and fixed storage areas

Note: The key piece of information needed when backing up a file or fixed storage area is the root directory of the area. All directories and folders under the root must be backed up or replicated. Backing up the directories of a fixed storage area only backs up content for annotations, documents in the reservation state, and documents that have yet to be migrated to the fixed repository. Content that has been migrated to the fixed repository must be backed up as part of the repository backup, which is explained in 5.1.4, "Fixed and external repositories" on page 115.

Internal reference to file and fixed storage areas

The root directory of file and fixed storage areas is referenced by data in the StorageClass table of the object store database, shown in Figure 5-9 on page 114. The root directory is exposed in the Content Engine API as a property of the FileStorageArea or FixedStorageArea object.

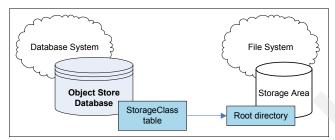


Figure 5-9 File or fixed storage area reference

Finding a file or fixed storage area root directory

To determine the location of the root directory of a file or fixed storage area, navigate to the storage areas node in Enterprise Manager. Right-click the storage area of interest, select **Properties**, and then select the **General** tab. The path to the root directory is shown as the Location property (Figure 5-10).

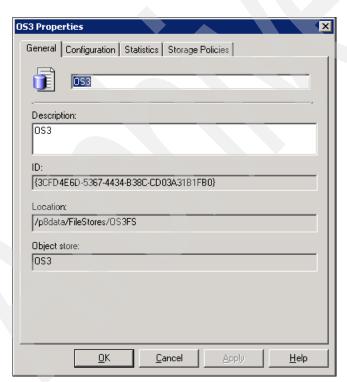


Figure 5-10 File storage area location example

5.1.4 Fixed and external repositories

Fixed and external repositories are shown in Figure 5-11. The CFS database is also shown. The database is only used for CFS-CMOD and CFS implementation (using Content Integrator) federated documents.

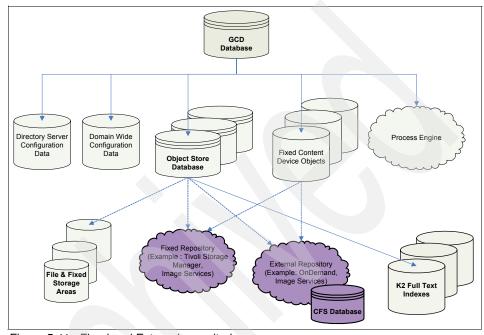


Figure 5-11 Fixed and External repositories

Note: Backup or replication of content that is stored in a fixed or external repository must be done through the tools of the repository.

Internal reference to fixed and external repositories

Fixed and external repositories are referenced by fixed content device objects that are stored in the GCD, shown in Figure 5-12 on page 116. The repository connection information is exposed as properties on the specific fixed content device object. For example, the connection information for a Tivoli Storage Manager fixed content device is exposed as properties of a TivoliFixedContentDevice object.

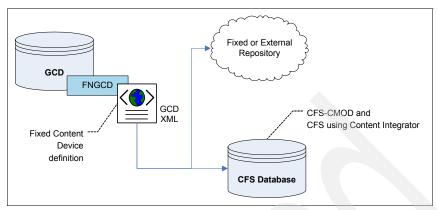


Figure 5-12 Fixed and External repository reference

Finding a fixed or external repository

To determine the location of a fixed or external repository, navigate to the fixed content devices node in Enterprise Manager, highlight the fixed device (in the pane on the right), right-click and select properties. The Configuration Parameters are listed in the dialog box, and include connection information for the fixed repository. The JDBC data source names are listed if the fixed repository is a CFS-CMOD or a CFS implementation (using Content Integrator) repository. You may use the application server console to view the data source information of the CFS database JDBC data sources. Figure 5-13 shows the Enterprise Manager Create Fixed Content Device dialog box.

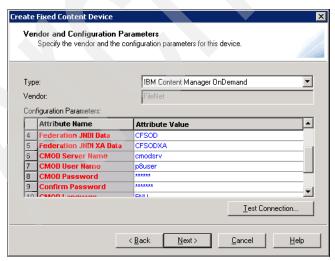


Figure 5-13 Create Fixed Content Device

Note: Some fixed repositories have associated configuration data that must be backed up or replicated. For example, a Tivoli Storage Manager fixed repository has one or more options files, which are maintained by the Content Engine. The options files are stored in the file system in a shared directory, referenced by the fixed content device configuration parameters.

5.1.5 Autonomy K2 collections

Figure 5-14 shows K2¹ full text index collections.

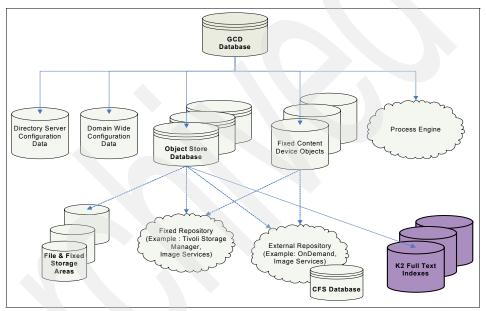


Figure 5-14 K2 full text index collections

Note: The key piece of information needed when backing up a K2 collection is the root directory of the collection. All directories and folders under the root must be backed up or replicated.

Internal reference to K2 index collection

The root directory of a K2 index collection is referenced by the IndexArea table, as shown in Figure 5-15 on page 118. The root directory is exposed as a property of the IndexArea object.

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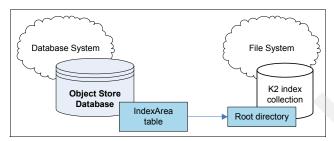


Figure 5-15 K2 index collection reference

Finding the root path of a K2 collection

To determine the location of an index collection, navigate to the Site folder in Enterprise Manager. For each site, navigate to the Index Areas folder. Right-click each index area and select **Properties** to determine the root directory of the index area. Figure 5-16 shows an index area Properties dialog box.

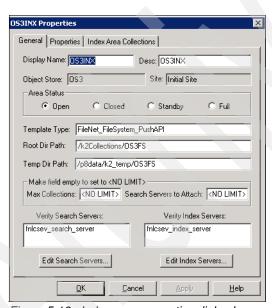


Figure 5-16 Index area properties dialog box

Note: The K2 installation includes a set of configuration files that must be included in the backup or replication set. The files are in the K2 installation directory, as follows:

- ► \data\host\admin
- ► \data\stylesets
- ► \data\services*.psm
- ► \k2\common\style
- ► \k2\common\styles
- ► \k2\common\stop*
- ► \k2\common\<*verity_locale*>

5.2 Process Engine data requiring backup

Figure 5-17 shows the Process Engine database.

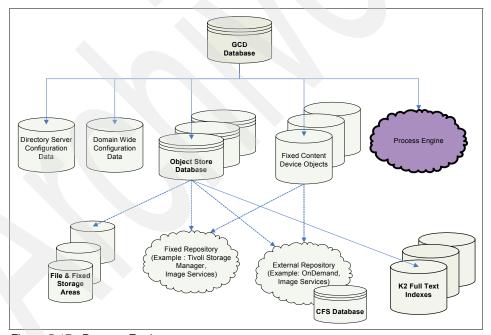


Figure 5-17 Process Engine

Internal reference to Process Engine database

The location of the Process Engine database is established during installation of the Process Engine software. The connection information is maintained within the directories of the partial Image Services installation that is required by the Process Engine, as shown in Figure 5-18.

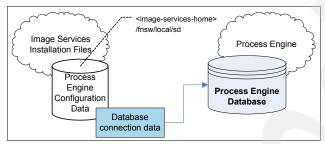


Figure 5-18 Reference to Process Engine

Finding the Process Engine database

To determine the location of the Process Engine database, use the Process Engine Process Task Manager utility. Navigate to the Databases tab, and then examine the Database Settings.

Note: In addition to backing up the Process Engine database, the directories and files that contain the database connection information must be backed up. Those files are located in the /fnsw/local/sd directory.

5.3 Image Services data requiring backup

This section describes the data elements of Image Services that must be backed up. These elements include databases, content media files and devices, and configuration files. Although you back up the binary files as needed (before and after patching), this section describes only the data.

Image Services stores its data in multiple databases, formats, file types, and locations. Be sure to know the location of the data so that the data is backed up fully and consistently. If you are not experienced with Image Services and its data model, you might miss the important files.

5.3.1 Index database

Similar to Content Engine, Image Services stores document metadata in an external RDBMS database. The supported databases include IBM DB2, Oracle, and Microsoft SQL Server. The database includes tables, most notably doctaba, which typically includes a reference for every document in the system with the corresponding metadata for each (for example, account number, and last name).

Note: Configuring Image Services so that document references are not stored in doctaba is possible. This possibility is the case if cataloging is disabled for the document class or if the CFS-IS export tool was run with the **Delete after export** check box is selected.

The index database also includes other tables containing related information, such as document class, and CFS-IS work queue. The tables that are in every Image Services system are listed in Table 5-1.

Table 5-1 Index database tables

Table name	Description
ce_id_map	Mapping from f_ce_os_id to the object store GUID, the Content Engine domain GUID, the object store name, and the Content Engine domain name.
doctaba	Index values associated with committed documents
document_class	Document classes attributes
doc_class_index	User defined index attributes
ce_os_dcl_map	Mapping from the Content Engine domain / object store to Image Services document class
export_log	FileNet P8 federation work queue
folder	Folder attributes
folder_contents	Mapping from folder ID to document ID
folder_tabs	(Not used)
GUIDS	GUID attributes
index_cluster	Information about documents in any document class that uses clustering
menu	Menu attributes
menu_items	Menu item attributes

Table name	Description
no_cat_audit	Audit trail of changes to the index cataloging field
sys_numbers	Ongoing list of the next available number to be assigned to an index column name, document class, cluster, or folder.
user_index	User index attributes
validation_tab	Validation table attributes
validation_tab_items	Validation item attributes
wqs_workspaces	Workspace attributes
wqs_idseed	Sequential ID number of the queues created
wqs_queues	Work queue attributes
wqs_fields	Work queue field attributes

5.3.2 MKF databases

Image Services keeps certain types of data in data files called MKF databases. These databases are in a proprietary format. On UNIX systems, the databases, and cache, are stored in a raw, non-file system, format. Raw format means that the data cannot be backed up with traditional file system backup tools. IBM provides the Enterprise Backup and Restore (EBR) tool for backing up these databases to file system or tape. The backup process is extremely fast and results in a compressed file when backed up to file system. Most companies run an automated EBR backup of their MKF databases just before running their automated file system backup.

Although on Windows systems, the MKF databases and cache are stored in normal files (not raw format) and therefore can be backed up with traditional file system backup tools. MKF and cache files are created as containers and are filled with data as needed. The size of the MKF and cache files can be much larger than the data contained within them. Backing up the files with EBR results in a compressed file that contains only the data and is usually much more manageable. For this reason, some Windows systems back up their MKF (and, less frequently, cache) files with EBR before running their normal file system backup.

Additional EBR usage: For more information about using EBR, review the *IBM Enterprise Backup and Restore User's Guide*, SC19-2670 in the Product Documentation for FileNet Image Services Web site:

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3283&uid=swg27010558

The three MKF databases are Security, Permanent, and Transient.

Security database

The Security database contains users, groups, and other security information. The tables in the database are listed in Table 5-2.

Table 5-2 Security database tables

Table	Description
sec_object	Record of each security object
sec_system	Record of the security service
sec_deleted	not used
sec_groups	Record of each security group
sec_functions	Record of each security function
sec_funcmbr	Record of each function member
sec_namemap	Record of association of FileNet users to native database logons
sec_dbinfo	Record of each db login added by the administrator
sec_rm_config	Single record that defines system level Records Manager configuration
sec_map_prin_to_dn	Record of association of Image Services objects to their LDAP distinguished names
sec_ce_dom_to_id	Record of all unique Content Engine GUIDs

Permanent database

The Permanent database contains multiple tables, most notably a large table named docs, which contains the storage location of every document. Table 5-3 lists the tables in the Permanent database.

Table 5-3 Permanent database tables

Table	Description
annotations	Record of each annotation and its associated document and page
cluster_map	Record of each cluster ID and the disk surface ID associated with it
docs	Record of each document ID number and its associated disk surface
family_disk	Record of each disk family on the system
family_locator	Record of the association of disk family to storage server
od_stats	Record of disk write errors
remote_family	Record of remote disk family information for each local family configured for remote committal
scalar_numbers	Record of next available document ID, disk surface number, and more
surf_dyn_info	Record of available space, active documents, and more for each disk surface
surf_locator	Record of the association of disk surface numbers to storage servers
surf_stat_info	Record of each disk surface and its attributes
surface_activity	Record of activity for each disk surface, if enabled
lib_surfaces	Record of file system location and more for each disk surface

Transient database

This database contains information about documents that are in transition during document entry, retrieval cache, and print cache. Table 5-4 lists the tables in the Transient database.

Table 5-4 Transient database tables

Table	Description
batch_ctl	Record of next available batch_id
batch_doc	Record of documents scanned under a single batch_id
batch_dyn_hdr	Record of dynamic information for each batch
batch_image	Record of each image ID associated with a batch
batch_ixdir	Record of each indexing field associated with a batch
batch_ixval	Record of the indexing information for each batch
batch_stat_hdr	Record of static information for each batch
batch_data	Record of data information for each batch
batch_folder	Record of folder information for each batch
csm_caches	Record of each logical cache ID number
csm_free_space	Record of the empty sectors in the cache partitions
csm_temp_id	Record of the temporary ID numbers
csm_used_space	Record of each image, document, or object in the cache partitions
print_docs	Record of each document to be printed
print_options	Record of options chosen for each entry in the print_requests table
print_svcs	Record of the association of Doc and Cache services to a 2 byte ID
print_requests	Record of outstanding print request
bkg_request	Record of each background job request, such as disk imports and copies
write_request	Record of documents in page cache that need to be written to disk

Cache

Cache is the designated magnetic disk space that is used to store documents during their transition to and from storage media. The Transient database keeps track of where documents are in cache. Cache is divided into physical disk containers (such as cache0, cache1, and cache2) and logically into cache types.

Objects in cache are temporary in nature and can be aged out if they are not locked. Examples of locked objects are batches that have not yet been committed and documents that are committed but have not been written to permanent storage. You can use EBR to back up locked cache objects. When backing up cache, you must back up the Transient database at the same time.

The types of caches are as follows:

- ▶ Batch cache: This cache contains batches of documents as they are entered into Image Services, where they remain until they are ready to be committed. Capture, MRII, and other entry tools use batch cache (such as HPII); others do not. When a batch is ready to be committed, it is moved into page cache.
- Page cache: Also known as retrieval cache, page cache contains documents being committed to or retrieved from storage media. Page cache can also be pre-filed with documents that are expected to be retrieved in the short term.
- Print cache: This cache stores documents waiting to be printed.
- Folder notes cache: For systems using FolderView, this cache can store folder notes.

5.3.3 Content storage

Image Services can store the content of its documents in a variety of systems, including optical, temporary magnetic, and permanent magnetic.

For many years, the primary storage media for Image Services data was optical platters (surfaces). Although many customers still use optical storage today, most have moved to magnetic storage, either using FileNet's Magnetic Storage and Retrieval (MSAR) or protected storage such as IBM Information Archive and SnapLock-enabled NepApp/N Series devices.

Optical storage

Optical Storage and Retrieval (OSAR) is the name of the storage model for which Image Services stores documents on optical platters in a SCSI-attached optical storage library. With optical storage, the backup and DR process is to configure Image Services to copy newly committed documents to a primary and a secondary surface, then send the secondary surfaces, when full, to an offsite storage location.

Document Archive and Retrieval Transport (DART) provides a method of backing up documents located on optical disks, thereby facilitating a complete disaster recovery opportunity. To achieve this, DART stores documents from Image Services on a magnetic disk directory. After written to magnetic disk, documents can be backed up using a variety of options including tape or network backup facilities. These documents are then available to recover the system in the event of the physical loss of an optical disk and its documents. DART captures the document index values at the time of backup; however, it does not back up annotations or highlights, nor does it backup post-DART index changes. These are backed up during normal database backup procedures, independently of DART.

Magnetic storage

Magnetic storage can be one of several storage models:

Magnetic Storage and Retrieval (MSAR)

With MSAR storage, the surface model remains the same as with optical storage. MSAR surfaces are virtual platters that are really files stored on local disk or SAN attached storage. Many individual documents are stored within a single surface file. The surface files can be configured to contain 1 - 32 GB each.

To back up or prepare for a DR scenario, back up these magnetic files to tape, store them on a secondary data storage system, or both, preferably offsite.

Protected storage

Documents can be protected (set to read-only for the active life of the document) by writing them to IBM Information Archive, NetApp/N Series, or one of the other supported systems. With each of these systems, you may set them to automatically mirror their contents to a separate unit, including one in a DR facility, using device-specific replication mechanisms.

Cache only

As mentioned in "Cache" on page 126, documents are locked in cache until they are written to permanent storage. If there was a temporary problem with the permanent storage system that prevented documents from being migrated to it, the only copy of the document may be in cache. Therefore, some companies back up locked cache objects and the Transient database, along with the other data components. However, most companies do not back up the cache or the Transient database.

5.3.4 Configuration files

Backing up configuration files is important because they contain vital information that is also important when rebuilding a system after a disaster. The main Image Services configuration file is the Configuration Database (CDB) file, which contains the following information:

- Cache sizes and locations
- Service configurations and locations
- Data set sizes and locations
- RDBMS type and version information
- ► Tablespace names and locations
- Network configuration information
- Storage library configuration information
- Peer system information
- Performance tuning parameters

The CDB file is located in the following directory, depending on the platform:

- ► For UNIX: fnsw/local/sd/conf db/IMS nnn.cdb
- ► For Windows: <drive>:\FNSW_LOC\sd\conf\IMS_nnn.cbd

The current file has the highest number for *nnn*.

The CDB file is modified with **fn_edit** tool and is activated with the **fn_build** command, which updates the following files (UNIX examples):

```
/fnsw/local/ssn
/fnsw/local/setup config
/fnsw/local/sd/
/fnsw/local/sd/nch dbinit
/fnsw/local/sd/nch domain
/fnsw/local/sd/inx conf
/fnsw/local/sd/print config
/fnsw/local/sd/snmp.conf
/fnsw/local/sd/as conf.g
/fnsw/local/sd/serverGroup
/fnsw/local/sd/db.init
/fnsw/local/sd/rdb.init
/fnsw/local/sd/1/as conf.s
/fnsw/local/sd/1/tapeconfig
/fnsw/local/sd/1/nch.ddl
/fnsw/local/sd/1/permanent.ddl
/fnsw/local/sd/1/transient.ddl
/fnsw/local/sd/1/sec.ddl
/fnsw/local/oracle/init.ora
/fnsw/local/mssql/config.sql
```

All files are located in the local subdirectory structure. Simply back up the entire local subdirectory structure, as follows:

► For UNIX: /fnsw/local

► For Windows: <drive>:\FNSW_LOC

In addition to these files, two configuration files are not located in the local subdirectory but must be backed up if they exist:

/fnsw/etc/serverConfig
/fnsw/etc/local_permission_table

Alternative strategies for backup

In this chapter, we address alternative strategies that might be employed to speed backup and restore times of an IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 systems. We describe advantages and disadvantages of these alternative strategies.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Use of database storage area consideration
- Suspending database writes
- Stopping the Application Engine
- Rolling storage policies
- Spraying storage policies
- Journaling
- Disk-to-disk versus disk-to-tape
- FlashCopy

6.1 Use of database storage area consideration

Since the inception of FileNet P8, administrators have had the option of creating object stores as database storage areas (storing both metadata and content in the database) or file storage areas (storing metadata in the database but content on a file system). In the past, we recommended the database storage area option if the content being stored is small in size (less than 1 MB per file). We recommended the file storage area option for files with consistently larger sizes. These recommendations were based on performance studies, which showed increased performance with smaller file sizes in a database storage area on a FileNet P8 3.x system. With the re-architecture of the Content Engine in FileNet P8 4.x, this database storage area advantage is eliminated. We currently do not see any performance enhancement on a FileNet P8 4.x system when using a database storage area instead of a file storage area.

Although many FileNet P8 clients do store both the metadata and content in the database, most customers opt to create their object stores as file storage areas. Because metadata and content are separated, backup becomes more difficult, and consistency between metadata and content can become an issue as well. Make sure you back up both metadata and content at the same time so that no row in the database references content that does not exist, and vice versa.

There are a number of factors to be weighed when considering the database storage area option:

- Consistency between metadata and content.
- BLOB size limit of the relational database.
- By replicating the database, recovery time can be close to zero.
- As database sizes grows, backup time may increase.
- Online backup may be an option.
- Database administrators frequently prefer not to store content in the database, to avoid database scalability issues such as excessive backup time for very large databases.

In general, use the database only to create, retrieve, update, and delete content, not to store files. In addition, modern fixed-storage devices such as IBM Information Archive offers deduplication (sometimes referred to as *dedupe*) capabilities. FileNet P8 4.5.1 provides a dedupe feature called *Single Instance Storage* which can be turned on for a specific file storage area or database storage area. These dedupe features can monitor the storage environment to ensure that a specific piece of content is stored only once, thus decreasing the total amount of content under management. Relational database systems do not offer these types of features.

Although modern relational databases do offer incremental backup capabilities, the FileNet P8 content stored within them is stored in a separate BLOB table. This BLOB table does not fall under the umbrella of an incremental backup. Over time, the amount of unstructured content in the BLOB table will grow and would need to go through a separate backup process.

When managing static content, there is less of a compelling reason to store it in the database. Because of this, and the other issues cited in this section, do not use FileNet P8 database storage areas as a general practice. FileNet P8 file storage areas simply offer more flexibility with the online and offline capabilities they offer.

6.2 Suspending database writes

An alternative strategy to speed up the backup process (instead of completely shutting down the system before backing up the system) is to suspend database write privileges (often referred to as *quiescing*) the system. The administrator can potentially send an e-mail or other message to users telling them the system is going down for maintenance and will be unavailable for some period of time. A notification such as this would then give users time to wrap up work in progress and gracefully log off the system.

Although such a scenario might have some merit, and the IBM DB2 database does in fact have quiesce and unquiesce commands. This is not currently a supported approach to backing up a FileNet P8 system.

6.3 Stopping the Application Engine

Another alternative strategy and possibly an acceptable approach to speed up the backup process, is stopping the Application Engine, leaving the Content Engine and Process Engine running. Any Web-tier applications that access the underlying Content Engine and Process Engine would be unable to perform any tasks if the Web applications are done. Bear in mind that there may be other applications using Content Engine or Process Engine Web Services APIs to communicate with these engines. If you can be sure that there are no other applications using Web Services to access the underlying FileNet P8 engines when the Application Engine is stopped, then you can assume that the metadata, content, and configuration data are in a fairly static state where they can be backed up cleanly.

Even with the Application Engine stopped and no users accessing the system, there could potentially still be Rendition Engine or Content Search Engine

processes running in the background. Stopping the Application Engine does not guarantee that the system is in a stable state the administrator would like to back up. As such, this approach is not supported by IBM for FileNet P8 backup at this time.

6.4 Rolling storage policies

In the FileNet P8 4.x series of products, the system administrator can use the "Create file storage area" wizard to define a maximum size for a file storage area and mark it as Active or Standby.

Using this feature, the administrator could create a series of additional file storage areas marked as Standby that would only become available when the first file storage area becomes full.

For example, an initial file storage area could be created with a maximum size of 100 GB and be marked as Active. A second file storage area would be created, also with a maximum size of 100 GB and be marked as Standby. As content is created in the system, the initial file storage area will fill, eventually hitting the 100 GB threshold. At this point, the initial file storage area becomes marked Closed and the second file storage area, previously marked as Standby, gets marked as Active. Newly created or versioned content now gets stored in the second file storage area.

Figure 6-1 illustrates rolling storage policies.

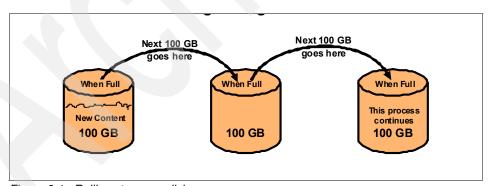


Figure 6-1 Rolling storage policies

This approach, known as *rolling storage policies*, has several advantages. The I/O for reading content from the file storage area gets spread across multiple physical devices. Administrators will also be able to keep close tabs on content ingestion and better gauge when the organization needs to purchase additional

storage. The biggest advantage to this approach may be that when a file storage area is full and becomes marked as Closed, that file storage area will no longer need to be backed up. Because FileNet P8 content is immutable, it is constantly moving forward. If a user creates a new version of an existing document, FileNet P8 does not touch the previous version--it is maintained in the system as the new version is written.

With this strategy, normally only one file storage area is being written to at a given time. There may be many file storage areas that have become full and are effectively read-only, which is the goal from a backup perspective. Most systems have many more reads (document retrievals) compared to the number of new documents or versions of documents being created. In other words, a high read-to-write ratio. This is a perfect fit for a rolling file storage area scenario, because over time the ratio of read-only to writable file storage areas grows.

6.5 Spraying storage policies

Similar to the rolling storage policies described in 6.4, "Rolling storage policies" on page 134, is another alternative strategy called *spraying storage policies*. This is a strategy whereby multiple file storage areas are created and all marked as Active. When new content is added or versioned in the system, Content Engine places the content in a file storage area using a round-robin algorithm. The benefits of this approach are increased I/O capacity because the I/O load is spread across more file systems and devices.

Do not mix spraying storage policies with rolling storage policies: It is important to note that spraying storage policies cannot be combined with the rolling storage policies described previously.

For example, a system administrator creates three online file storage area across which all content gets sprayed. A fourth file storage area is created and marked Standby. Each file storage area has a maximum size of 100 GB. When the first Active storage area becomes full, spraying continues across the remaining two Active storage area. When the second Active storage area eventually becomes full, the system is left with only the third storage area to accept new content. When the third storage area becomes full, the fourth area, initially marked as Standby, automatically becomes Active. At this point, content is no longer being sprayed across multiple storage area, but being added to the only Active area.

Figure 6-2 illustrates spraying storage policies.

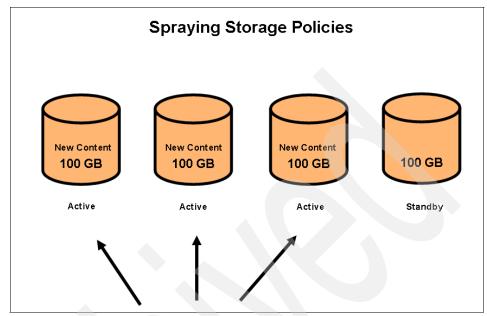


Figure 6-2 Spraying storage policies

System administrators who see a high read to write ratio (a high volume of reads, but not of writes) may favor rolling storage policies because this approach spreads the read operations across multiple physical devices, and reducing the amount of data that must be saved during a full backup.

A rolling scheme is not good if you have lots of writes and little or no reads. An example of this would be an e-mail archiving system, which also requires high performance because the incoming e-mail volume at most companies is very high. It does a lot of writes. For this application, spraying the writes across multiple LUNs is advantageous in such situations. It is equally advantageous if you have a lot of reads, because again the reads are spread across all the LUNs. So spraying is appropriate for all high volume applications; rolling is more applicable when the read-to-write ratio is high, which is the case for most customer situations. Obviously, rolling has the added advantage of making backups faster, therefore, use rolling storage policy if it is applicable to your situation.

6.6 Journaling

When performing an incremental or differential backup, the backup software normally searches throughout the file systems being backed up to identify the files that are new or have changed since the previous backup. Content management systems might have millions or even billions of separate files under management, so this process alone can be very time consuming.

To avoid this traversal of the file system, some backup software, including IBM Tivoli Storage Manager on AIX and Windows, offers the ability to create a journal when files are created or modified in the file system. The Tivoli Storage Manager Journal Based Backup (JBB) utilizes a journal daemon process, called the Tivoli Storage Manager Journal Service, to create the change journal.

When performing a traditional backup, the list of files, called the local list, is obtained by scanning the entire local file system, and the server list is obtained by querying the entire server inventory for all active objects. The two lists are then compared, and candidates are selected for backup according to the following criteria:

- An object is selected as a backup candidate if it exists in the local list but does not exist in the server list, or if the object exists in both lists but differs according to Tivoli Storage Manager incremental criteria (such as attribute changes, date and size changes).
- An object is selected as an expiration candidate if it exists in the server list but does not exist in the local list.

Journal based backup obtains the candidates list of objects to backup or expire by querying the Tivoli Storage Manager Journal Service for the contents of the change journal of the file system being backed up. Change journal entries are cleared (marked as free) after they have been processed by the backup client and committed on the Tivoli Storage Manager server. Journal Based Backup is activated by configuring the journal daemon to monitor specified file systems for change activity and is enabled by successfully completing a full incremental backup.

Journal Based Backup is considered a viable solution for environments in which the amount of file system activity is light to moderate, and that the activity is somewhat well distributed. This is commonly the case for a content management system, where files are added and occasionally are deleted, but the files are usually not modified after they are written.

Journal based backup is appropriate for backing up files systems with small or moderate amounts of change activity between backup cycles. Very large amount of file changes between backup cycles might result in very large change journals. Very large change journals pose memory and performance problems which may negate the benefits of journal backup. So, if a very large number of documents have been created or deleted, then this may negate the benefit of using journal backup instead of normal incremental backup.

Journal backup is not intended to be a complete replacement for traditional incremental backup. The goal of journal backup is to track all file system changes in the change journal and to make every attempt to keep the journal synchronized with what has been backed up. Limitations on journal based backup include:

- Because individual server attributes are not available during a journal backup, certain policy settings such as copy frequency and copy mode may not be enforced.
- Other platform specific idiosyncrasies may prevent objects from being processed properly. Other software which changes the default behavior of the file system may prevent file system changes from being detected.
- It is possible for a small number of file system deletions to be missed when the file system is very active while a journal backup is in progress, which prevents the missed files from being expired during the journal backup.

Because of this and the stated limitation of journal backup, perform the periodic full incremental backups, along with more frequent journal backups. Traditional incremental backup compares the entire server inventory of files against the entire local file system and will therefore always be the most comprehensive backup method.

6.7 Disk-to-disk versus disk-to-tape

In the 1990s, disk-to-disk backups began to gain in popularity. This was the result of the falling cost of disk storage, the increasing sizes of disk volumes without a corresponding increase in tape speeds, and the fact that disk-to-disk I/O is faster than disk-to-tape I/O and therefore provides for a smaller backup window. In this scenario, a FileNet P8 system could be stopped and a backup to local disk storage could be initiated. Upon completion of this initial backup, the FileNet P8 system can be brought back online.

The fast random access nature of disk I/O allows for some additional capabilities. Some operating systems provide tools that are capable of checking time stamps and purging files from the copy that are no longer on the source, thus making the resulting backup smaller in size. These tools can usually also avoid copying a file if the same version exists already in the target file system, as determined by its

size and time stamp. By combining these techniques, a full of your disk storage can be performed effectively in relatively little time.

Backups are used for several different purposes. They can be used after a disaster (loss of an entire data center), after loss of the primary storage subsystem, after a corruption such as infection by a software virus, or to restore individual files that have been deleted or corrupted accidentally. A single disk backup of the primary volume therefore has a couple of potentially major disadvantages:

- The backup data is not stored off site. It is normal with tape backups to rotate tapes to and from an off-site storage facility, so that in the event of the loss of the data center, such as a fire, that a copy of the data will still exist for restoration.
- ▶ At any given time, only one point in time copy of the primary data exists on the backup disk volume. This copy can be used for full or partial restoration, but there are many circumstances under which this will not be satisfactory. For example, suppose that it is discovered that a software virus has infected the files, but the discovery is not made until after the most recent backup was made. In this case, the virus will have been copied to the backup volume, and no clean copy of the data exists. Most tape-based backup schemes involve rotation through multiple sets of tapes, some used for incremental or differential backups and others for full s, so that many points in time are represented by the complete set of tapes.

To gain the advantages of disk-to-disk backup, and mitigate the disadvantages that are listed, many data centers combine disk-to-disk copying with tape backups. With this approach, the production software is shut down for a short time while the disk-based backup is performed. After, the production software is brought up again, and then a tape backup is made from the backup disk volume, allowing for longer term storage of the data, and off-site storage.

6.8 FlashCopy

An alternative strategy to reduce the backup window is using FlashCopy or a similar function that is provided by the storage hardware or the file system. The idea is to make a nearly instantaneous copy of the entire file system, then bring up the FileNet P8 software again, while making a backup of the copy of the data. After the backup is completed, you may discard the copy.

FlashCopy and similar technologies seem to copy many gigabytes of data almost instantly because they do not really copy it; they create a new file system that points at the same underlying data. Similarly, the new file system can be

discarded in very little time, because it involves for the most part simply deleting these same pointers.

The FlashCopy technique is similar to the disk-to-disk copying, described in 6.7, "Disk-to-disk versus disk-to-tape" on page 138, combined with tape backup of the disk copy, but it is much faster and requires much less free disk space.

During the time that the copied file system exists (while the backup of it is running), if a data block in the original file system is modified, it is actually written to a separate block on the disk, so that the FlashCopy that was made previously is unchanged. Because the vast majority of the data is never actually copied, the storage requirements for making a FlashCopy are very small compared to the storage that is apparently being copied.

Because these file system copy technologies require approximately a few seconds to create a new file system, the production software must be shut down for only this length of time. After the FlashCopy has been made, the software can be restarted and production resumed. By using this technique, the backup window can thus be reduced to a very small amount of time.

6.9 Summary

The preferred location for storing unstructured content is the file storage area, not the database storage area. The reason is because the relational database is best at managing structured (relational) data and not the unstructured content found in the average FileNet P8 system.

Use an offline backup strategy for FileNet P8. Warm- or hot-backup strategies such as stopping the FileNet P8 Application Engine or quiescing the database are not supported for FileNet P8 at this time. By stopping all FileNet P8 components and the associated relational databases, the FileNet P8 administrator can ensure that both metadata and content are in the static state required for an offline backup.

Rolling or spraying storage policies can also be used to add flexibility to a FileNet P8 system. Because FileNet P8 content is immutable, rolling storage policies can be used to ensure that the amount of metadata and files being backed up is as small as possible, thus speeding backup time. This strategy also spreads read operations out among (potentially) many storage devices, improving disk I/O. A spraying storage policy approach might be considered for the opposite use case, when there is a high volume of write operations. In this scenario, incoming content is written to more than one storage device, thus increasing disk I/O.

The FileNet P8 administrator must also consider a disk-to-disk or disk-to-tape backup strategy. Because of the faster disk I/O in comparison to tape, a disk-to-disk backup may be initiated, the FileNet P8 system brought back online, and a tape backup initiated upon starting the FileNet P8 system again. Storage technology such as FlashCopy can be a big advantage in speeding backup times and keeping the backup window as small as possible.



Part 2

Implementation details

This part contains the following chapters:

- ► Chapter 7, "Case study description and system setup" on page 145
- Chapter 8, "Backup and restore setup and configuration" on page 175
- ► Chapter 9, "Disaster recovery setup and configuration" on page 227
- Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263
- ► Chapter 11, "Working with IBM Information Archive" on page 315



Case study description and system setup

This chapter defines the backup and disaster recovery case studies we set up and present in this book. The chapter also has installation guidelines for setting up an IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 production environment. For details about setting up a disaster recovery environment, see Chapter 9, "Disaster recovery setup and configuration" on page 227.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Description of the case studies
 - Case study I: Backup and restore setup and configuration
 - Case study II: Recovery using standby disaster recovery site
- Overview of FileNet P8 lab environment
 - Production lab environment hardware
 - Storage configuration
 - DNS and host table entries
- Software configuration
 - DB2 configuration
 - WebSphere configuration
 - User and group configuration
 - FileNet P8 component configuration

7.1 Description of the case studies

For the purpose of this book, our FileNet P8 lab systems are configured to test the following scenarios:

- Case study I: Backup and restore setup and configuration
- ► Case study II: Recovery using standby disaster recovery site

Note: The information presented in these case studies does not include procedures for installing and configuring FileNet P8 software. Only concepts and considerations that are important to configuration of backup and recovery are included. For complete installation procedures, see the FileNet P8 information center:

http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/p8docs/v4r5m1/index.jsp

7.1.1 Case study I: Backup and restore setup and configuration

In this case study, we perform a backup and restore of a FileNet P8 environment with the following components:

- ▶ Content Engine
- Process Engine
- ▶ Worplace XT
- Image Services
- ► Content Federation Service for Image Services
- ► Content Search Engine

Our backup solution consists of an IBM Tivoli Storage Manager server with an attached tape library, integrated with Tivoli Storage Manager client software on each FileNet P8 server. The configuration of the Tivoli Storage Manager software and procedures for executing the backup and recovery are covered in Chapter 8, "Backup and restore setup and configuration" on page 175.

7.1.2 Case study II: Recovery using standby disaster recovery site

In this case study, we use a standby FileNet P8 system as a disaster recovery site. The standby site is installed on hardware similar to that used by the primary site. Both systems are configured with identical versions of FileNet P8 and other vendor application software. Pertinent data and configuration files are replicated from the primary site to the disaster recovery site using storage level replication.

We describe the hardware configuration of our lab environments for the primary and standby sites. We discuss tips and general guidelines for configuring the primary system in such a manner that failover to the standby disaster recovery system is quick and efficient.

The configuration of the standby system and procedures to activate the disaster recovery site are covered in Chapter 9, "Disaster recovery setup and configuration" on page 227.

7.2 Overview of FileNet P8 lab environment

The lab environment used for this book consists of two FileNet P8 systems:

- A primary production site, referred to as PROD
- A standby disaster recovery site, referred to as DR

The hardware configuration for the PROD system is described in the following section. See Chapter 9, "Disaster recovery setup and configuration" on page 227 for a description of the DR environment.

7.2.1 Production lab environment hardware

The PROD FileNet P8 system resides on an *IBM Model 9117-570 POWER5*TM server, configured with nine logical partitions (LPARs). The LPARs are defined as shown in Figure 7-1 on page 148, with a separate LPAR for each of the following components:

- Virtual I/O (VIO) server
- Tivoli Directory Service server
- DB2 Database (DB2) server
- Image Services (IS) server
- Workplace XT (XT) server
- Process Engine (PE) server
- Content Search Engine (CSE) server
- Content Engine (CE) server
- Tivoli Storage Manager server

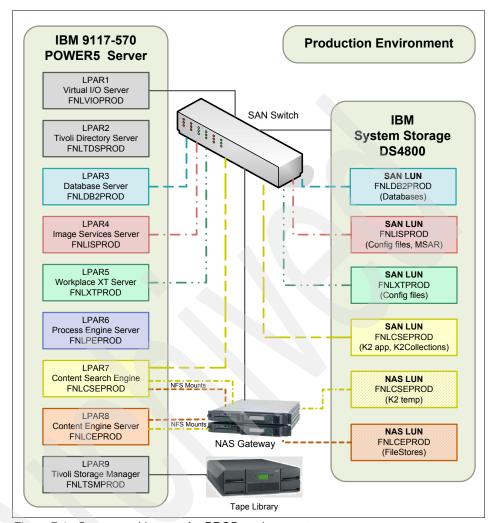


Figure 7-1 System architecture for PROD environment

Storage for the PROD system is provided by an *IBM System Storage DS4800* device. For our system, LUNs for SAN storage on the DS4800 are assigned to the LPARs as listed in Table 7-1.

Table 7-1 SAN LUN assignments for the DS4800

LPAR assignment	Type of data on SAN storage
FNLDB2PROD	DB2 database instance files
FNLISPROD	Image Services configuration files; MSAR files
FNLXTPROD	Workplace XT configuration files
FNLPEPROD	Process Engine configuration files
FNLCSEPROD	Autonomy K2 ^a application files; K2 collections (indexes)

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The DS4800 also provides LUNs designated as network attached storage (NAS). In general, data that must be accessible by more than one LPAR must reside on NAS. For our PROD environment, the NAS LUNs are located on the DS4800, and are managed by an *IBM System Storage N-Series N5200 Gateway*. File systems on NAS are presented to the LPARs through NFS mounts. The NAS LUN assignments for the PROD system are shown in Table 7-2.

Table 7-2 NAS LUN assignments for the DS4800

LPAR assignments (through NFS mounts)	Type of data on NAS
FNLCSEPROD	K2 temporary files
FNLCEPROD	file storage area files

7.2.2 Storage configuration

For our disaster recovery solution, identical versions of the FileNet P8 applications reside on the PROD and DR systems. Each LPAR is configured with a root volume group (rootvg), consisting of local disks that contain the operating system and application binary files.

Files that are updated frequently, such as databases and configuration files, are located on the data volume group (datavg), consisting of SAN LUNs on the DS4800 system storage. Data shared by two or more servers, such as file storage areas and index temporary files, is also written to the system storage device utilizing NAS LUNs and NFS mounts.

Using block-level replication, the PROD data that is stored on the DS4800 is replicated onto the DS4500 in DR as shown in Figure 7-2.

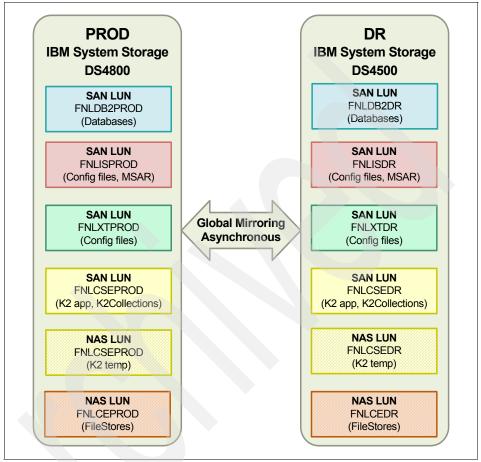


Figure 7-2 PROD to DR data replication

7.2.3 DNS and host table entries

As noted in the diagrams for our PROD (Figure 7-1 on page 148) and DR (Figure 9-1 on page 230) systems, we use a naming convention for host names on each environment that end in either PROD or DR. We also use a virtual host name ending in the letter V that is shared by the two environments (see Table 7-3 on page 151).

Table 7-3 List of virtual host names

PROD host name	DR host name	Virtual host name
FNLCEPROD	FNLCEDR	FNLCEV
FNLPEPROD	FNLPEDR	FNLPEV
FNLXTPROD	FNLXTDR	FNLXTV
FNLISPROD	FNLISDR	FNLISV
FNLCSEPROD	FNLCSEDR	FNLCSEV
FNLDB2PROD	FNLDB2DR	FNLDB2V
FNLTDSPROD	FNLTDSDR	FNLTDSV

The alias for the virtual host name is managed through local host files or DNS entries. Under normal production mode operations, the virtual host name is mapped to the PROD servers as shown in Figure 7-3.

192.168.100.216	fnldb2prod	fn1db2v	
192.168.100.217	fnltdsprod	fnltdev	
192.168.100.218	fnlceprod	fnlcev	
192.168.100.219	fnlisprod	fnlisv	fnlisv-filenet-nch-server
192.168.100.220	fnlcseprod	fnlcsev	*
192.168.100.221	fnlxtprod	fnlxtv	
192.168.100.222	fnlpeprod	fnlpev	
192.168.100.223	fnltsmprod	fnltsmv	
10.0.200.216	fnldb2dr		
10.0.200.217	fnltdsdr		
10.0.200.218	fnlcedr		
10.0.200.219	fnlisdr		
10.0.200.220	fnlcsedr		
10.0.200.221	fnlxtdr		
10.0.200.222	fnlpedr		
10.0.200.223	fnltsmdr		

Figure 7-3 Virtual host names for PROD mode

In disaster recovery mode, the virtual host names are mapped to the DR servers.

7.3 Software configuration

The versions of software for both the PROD and DR systems are as follows:

- ► IBM AIX v6.1 TL2 64-bit
- IBM Tivoli Directory Services v6.1
- ▶ IBM Tivoli Storage Manager Server v6.1 64-bit
- ► IBM Tivoli Storage Manager Client v6.1 64-bit
- ► IBM DB2 Server v9.7 64-bit
- ▶ IBM WebSphere Application Server v7.0.0.5 64-bit Network Deployment
- ▶ IBM FileNet Content Engine v4.5.1
- IBM FileNet Process Engine v4.5.1
- ▶ IBM FileNet Workplace XT v1.1.4.1
- IBM FileNet Content Search Engine v4.5.1
- ▶ IBM FileNet Image Services v4.1.2.4
- IBM FileNet High Performance Image Import v4.1.2

In this section, we present high-level information and guidelines for configuring FileNet P8 software on primary systems that use data replication for the standby disaster recovery site.

7.3.1 DB2 configuration

For FileNet P8 systems that use replication from PROD to DR for DB2 database data, consider the following tasks:

- ► Install the DB2 binary files in a directory that belongs to the root volume group file system, for example, /opt/IBM/db2/V9.7.
- Create a file system, such as /db2data, in the data volume group on the SAN device to store database instance files. For example, if your instance user name is db2inst1, create a home directory for this user under the /db2data file system, such as /db2data/home/db2inst1.

By default, DB2 uses the actual server host name as the system name when a new database instance is created. This becomes an issue when activating DB2 on the DR system because the host name stored in the database (in our case fnldb2prod) does not match the DR servername (fnldb2dr). This issue can be avoided by modifying the DB2 system name on the primary system to use the *virtual host name* (fnldb2v) prior to replication to the DR site.

Use the following procedure to change the DB2 system name from fnldb2prod to fnldb2v:

- 1. Log in to the DB2 server as the instance owner, for example db2inst1.
- List the node directory to view the current system name, by using the command:

db2 list admin node directory show detail Output is similar to Figure 7-4.

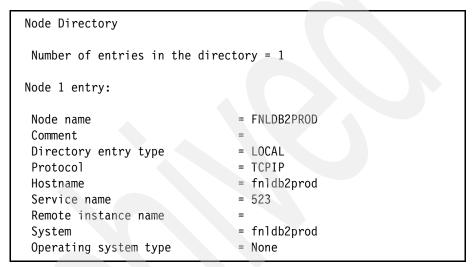


Figure 7-4 Admin node directory output prior to update

3. Stop the DB2 database by running the command:

db2stop

4. Log in as the root user and add write permissions to the files in the /var/db2 directory:

```
chmod 666 /var/db2/*
```

5. Change directory to the DB2 adm directory and run the **db2set** command to set the DB2 system name to the virtual server name.

```
cd /opt/IBM/db2/V9.7/adm
./db2set -g DB2SYSTEM=fnldb2v
```

6. Locate the db2nodes.cfg file, usually in <db2_instance_home_dir>/sqllib on UNIX or Linux®. For example, on our system, the file is at the following location:

/db2data/home/db2inst1/sq1lib/db2nodes.cfg

Edit the db2nodes.cfg file and change the server name from fnldb2prod to fnldb2v.

7. Log off as the root user and log back in as the instance owner, for example db2inst1. Catalog the admin node using the virtual host name. The syntax for the catalog command is as follows:

db2 catalog admin tcpip node <new hostname> remote <new hostname> system <new hostname>

For example:

db2 catalog admin tcpip node fnldb2v remote fnldb2v system fnldb2v

8. Update the DB2SYSTEM and SMTP_SERVER values using the following commands:

db2 update admin cfg using DB2SYSTEM fnldb2v db2 update admin cfg using SMTP SERVER fnldb2v

9. Restart the DB2 instance using the following command:

db2start

10. List the node directory again to verify your changes.

db2 list admin node directory show detail

Output is similar to Figure 7-5.

```
Node Directory
Number of entries in the directory = 1
Node 1 entry:
                                 = FNLDB2V
 Node name
 Comment
 Directory entry type
                                 = LOCAL
 Protocol
                                = TCPIP
 Hostname
                                = fnldb2v
                                = 523
 Service name
 Remote instance name
 System
                                = fnldb2v
 Operating system type
                                = None
```

Figure 7-5 Admin node directory output after update

7.3.2 WebSphere configuration

The test case systems for this book use a WebSphere Network Deployment configuration, with separate cells for the PROD and DR environments. (PROD is described in this section. DR is described in 9.3.3, "WebSphere configuration for DR" on page 240.)

WebSphere cell configuration for PROD

The cell topology for the PROD configuration is shown in Figure 7-6. The deployment manager (dmgr) for the cell is located on the Content Engine server (FNLCEPROD). A managed node (fnlceprodNode01) and application server (CEserver01) for the Content Engine are also located on the FNLCEPROD server. A second managed node (fnlxtprodNode01) and application server (XTserver01) for the Workplace XT application is located on the FNLXTPROD server.



Figure 7-6 Cell topology for PROD WebSphere configuration

We installed the WebSphere Application Server software on the Content Engine and Workplace XT servers. During the installation process, we deselected the option to create the default profiles, choosing instead to create these objects manually after the installation.

To create the WebSphere topology on the PROD system, shown in Figure 7-6 on page 155, perform the following steps:

 Log in to the FNLCEPROD server as the user that installed the WebSphere application, in our case, the root user. Create the deployment manager on the FNLCEPROD server using the manageprofile.sh command with parameters similar to those in Figure 7-7.

```
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh -create \
-templatePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profileTemplates/cell/dmgr \
-nodeProfilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01 \
-profileName p8dmgr01 \
-profilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01 \
-hostName fnlceprod.fn.ibm.com \
-nodeName p8CellManager01 \
-cellName p8Cell01 \
-appServerNodeName fnlceprodNode01 \
-enableAdminSecurity true \
-adminUserName wasadmin \
-adminPassword WASpassword
```

Figure 7-7 Create cell and deployment manager node for PROD environment

 Create the managed node for the Content Engine application on the FNLCEPROD server using the manageprofile.sh command with parameters similar to those in Figure 7-8.

```
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh -create \
-templatePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profileTemplates/cell/default \
-dmgrProfilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01 \
-portsFile \
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/properties/portdef.props \
-nodePortsFile \
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/properties/nodeportdef.props
-profileName p8AppSrv01 \
-profilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01 \
-hostName fnlceprod.fn.ibm.com \
-nodeName p8CellManager01 \
-cellName p8CellO1 \
-appServerNodeName fnlceprodNode01 \
-enableAdminSecurity true \
-adminUserName wasadmin \
-adminPassword WASpassword
```

Figure 7-8 Create the managed node for Content Engine on PROD environment

3. Run the command shown in Figure 7-9 on the FNLXTPROD server to create the managed node for the Workplace XT application.

```
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh -create \
-templatePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profileTemplates/managed \
-profileName p8AppSrv01 \
-profilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01 \
-hostName fnlxtprod.fn.ibm.com \
-nodeName fnlxtprodNode01 \
-cellName fnlxtprodNode01Cell01 \
-dmgrHost fnlceprod.fn.ibm.com \
-dmgrPort 8879 \
-dmgrAdminUserName wasadmin \
-dmgrAdminPassword WASpassword
```

Figure 7-9 Create the managed node for Workplace XT on the PROD environment

4. Start the deployment manager and node agent on the FNLCEPROD server: /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/bin/startManager.sh /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh

- Start the node agent on the FNLXTPROD server: /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh
- 6. From your browser, log in to the WebSphere Integrated Solutions Console using the adminUserName and adminPassword values specified in the manageprofiles.sh command (see Figure 7-7 on page 156). The URL for the WebSphere console is similar to http://<hostname>:9060/ibm/console.
- 7. Browse to **Servers** → **New server** and add a new server for the Content Engine application with values as listed in Table 7-4.

Property	Value
Server type	WebSphere application server
Node	fnlceprodNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
Server name	CEserver01
Server template	default
Server specific properties	Generate Unique Ports (checked)

8. Add a server for the Workplace XT application with values as listed in Table 7-5.

Table 7-5 Properties for XTserver01 application server

Property	Value
Server type	WebSphere application server
Node	fnlxtprodNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
Server name	XTserver01
Server template	default
Server specific properties	Generate Unique Ports (checked)

Start the CEserver01 application server on the FNLCEPROD server using the following command (all on one line):

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh
CEserver01

10. Start the XTserver01 application server on the FNLXTPROD server using the following command (all on one line):

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh
XTserver01

After completing the WebSphere configuration

After you have completed the WebSphere configuration, you must grant the operating system user who starts and stops the FileNet P8 applications the permissions to the profile directories. In our case, we use the following user, which is a member of the UNIX group p8OSgrp, for this purpose:

UNIX user account p80Susr

To enable the p8OSusr account to start and stop the applications, perform the following steps:

- 1. Stop the XTserver01 and node agent on the FNLXTPROD server.
- 2. Stop the CEserver01 node agent and deployment manager on the FNLCEPROD server.
- Change ownership of the profile directories to allow the operating system user p8OSusr access. For example, on FNLCEPROD, execute the following commands:

cd /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles
chown -Rf p80Susr:p80Sgrp p8dmgr01
chown -Rf p80Susr:p80Sgrp p8AppSrv01

On FNLXTPROD, execute the following commands:

```
cd /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles
chown -Rf p80Susr:p80Sgrp p8AppSrv01
```

4. Log in to the FNLCEPROD server as p8OSusr and start the deployment manager, node agent and CEserver01.

Log in to the FNLXTPROD server as p8OSusr and start the node agent and XTserver01.

7.3.3 User and group configuration

FileNet P8 uses the following types of user and group accounts:

- Operating system users and groups (such as AIX users/groups)
- ► LDAP users and groups (managed by a directory services application such as Tivoli Directory Server

Operating system users and groups

Operating system accounts are required to install and configure the FileNet P8 software. These accounts are also used as login accounts to start and stop the FileNet P8 software services. To maintain consistent file ownership between PROD and DR in a UNIX environment, you must ensure that IDs for individual user and group accounts are the same on both systems.

Figure 7-10 shows the ID values for the UNIX user p80Susr on both the PROD and DR Content Engine servers. Notice that although p80Susr was created separately on both the servers, the user ID (2001) and group ID (2000) is the same on both the Content Engine servers.

```
p80Susr@fnlceprod /home/p80Susr > id p80Susr
uid=2001(p80Susr) gid=2000(p80Sgrp) groups=1(staff)
p80Susr@fnlcedr /home/p80Susr > id p80Susr
uid=2001(p80Susr) gid=2000(p80Sgrp) groups=1(staff)
```

Figure 7-10 Sample ID values for UNIX users

LDAP users and groups

For this case study, the same Tivoli Directory Server provides LDAP accounts for both the PROD and DR environments. If your configuration uses separate directory servers for PROD and DR, you must ensure that the GUIDs for these users and groups are identical on both systems. Access to objects stored in FileNet P8 is controlled by comparing the user and group GUIDs, not account names.

If you use a similar configuration with a single LDAP directory, the LDAP service and the underlying data must also be configured for disaster recovery. We do not cover how to do this because it is outside of the scope of this book.

7.3.4 FileNet P8 component configuration

Figure 7-11 on page 161 shows the software components installed on each server in our PROD configuration. The software configuration for the DR environment is identical to that used for PROD.



Figure 7-11 Software configuration for PROD environment

During the installation of the FileNet P8 software for the PROD environment, use the virtual server names where appropriate. The sections that follow list guidelines to consider when installing a production environment which you intend to replicate to a disaster recovery site.

Content Engine installation

When installing and configuring Content Engine software for the production environment, consider the following guidelines:

- Replicating the PROD Content Engine binary files to the DR site is not necessary. Therefore, you may install the Content Engine application on a local file system.
- Configure the storage areas for PROD file storage areas on NAS and replicate to the DR site.
- ▶ During the PROD Content Engine installation, specify the *virtual* host name for the following items:
 - FileNet P8 documentation URL, for example: http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/ecm help
 - NET API COM Compatibility Layer (CCL) server URL, for example: http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MT0M
- To configure the PROD Content Engine using the Configuration Manager tool, use the *virtual* host name as follows:
 - For a new Content Engine configuration profile, use the Content Engine server's virtual name, such as fnlcev.fn.ibm.com, for the application server host field on the Application Server Properties page.
 - On the LDAP tab, use the virtual name for the directory service server host name, for example, fnltdsv.fn.ibm.com.
 - On the JDBC tab for the GCD and objectstores data sources, use the virtual name of the DB2 server, for example, fn1db2v.fn.ibm.com.
- ► Use the virtual name for the directory service server host name when creating a directory service configuration in Enterprise Manager. For example, use fnltdsv.fn.ibm.com for the Tivoli Directory Service server name.

Content Search Engine installation

Consider the following guidelines when you install and configure the Content Search Engine in the PROD environment:

► The Content Search Engine installer puts both the application binary files and configuration files under the <cse_install_dir>/verity directory. For the PROD installation, install the Content Search Engine application into a file system located on SAN storage and replicate to the DR site.

The default installation directory for Content Search Engine is /opt/IBM/FileNet/verity.

The following procedure is for installing the Content Search Engine onto a SAN file system, such as /k2verity, using a soft link to the default directory:

a. Log in as the root user and create a new file system on the SAN volume group with a mount point of /k2verity. Set ownership of the /k2verity file system to the FileNet P8 operating system account. For example:

```
cd /
chown p80Susr:p80Sgrp k2verity
```

b. Create the default Content Search Engine install directory, for example, /opt/IBM/FileNet, and set ownership to the FileNet P8 operating system account. For example:

```
cd /opt/IBM
mkdir FileNet
chown p80Susr:p80Sgrp FileNet
```

c. Log in as the user p8OSusr and create a soft link using the SAN file system, /k2verity, as the source, and the default install directory, /opt/IBM/FileNET/verity, as the target. For example:

```
cd /opt/IBM/FileNet
ln -s /k2verity verity
```

d. Verify the link was created:

```
cd /opt/IBM/FileNet
ls -al
```

The results are similar to the following example:

```
1rwxrwxrwx 1 p80Susr p80Sgrp 9 Oct 22 17:47 verity@ -> /k2verity/
```

- e. Install the Content Search Engine software and accept the default install location. The Content Search Engine files will be written to the SAN file system but will still be accessible using the default install path. The SAN file system, /k2verity, can then be replicated to the DR site.
- Use the virtual name of the Content Search Engine server when specifying the Master Administration Server, the Administration Server host name, or both, for example, fnlcsev.fn.ibm.com.
- ► The Content Search Engine installer automatically inserts the default host name (FNLCSEPROD in our case), into several K2 configuration files during the installation process. After the installation is complete, you must manually edit these files to change all instances of the default host name, FNLCSEPROD, to the virtual name, FNLCSEV.

The list of files that you must edit include:

/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/_cseuninst/installvariables.properties
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/config.vcnf
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/k2/common/base.xml
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/k2/common/verity.cfg
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/host/admin/admin/N.xml

Note: The following directory has multiple instances of the adminN.xml file (where N represents a number):

/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/host/admin

You must edit the host name in all instances of the admin/.xml file.

▶ Use the virtual host name for the K2 Verify Dashboard URL, for example:

http://fnlcsev.fn.ibm.com:9990/verity_dashboard/main.jsp

▶ When creating objects in the K2 Dashboard application, a best practice is to use the virtual host name in the object name. For example:

fnlcsev_broker_server
fnlcsev_index_server
fnlcsev_search_server
fnlcsev_ticket_server

► In Enterprise Manager, on the Verity Domain Configuration tab, use the virtual host name for the Content Search Engine server as shown in Figure 7-12.

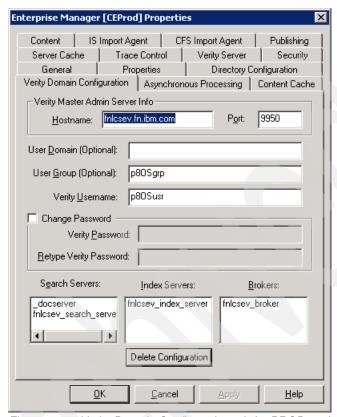


Figure 7-12 Verity Domain Configuration tab for PROD environment

► Configure the Verity Server tab in Enterprise Manager; sample parameters for this task are shown in Figure 7-13.

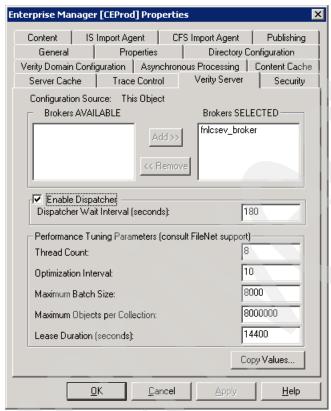


Figure 7-13 Verity Server tab configuration for PROD environment

► Create the index collections directory, for example /k2Collections, on SAN storage and replicate to the DR site. Create the temporary index directory, for example /p8data/k2_temp, on NAS.

Figure 7-14 shows sample configuration parameters for an index area, named OS3INX, assigned to the object store OS3.

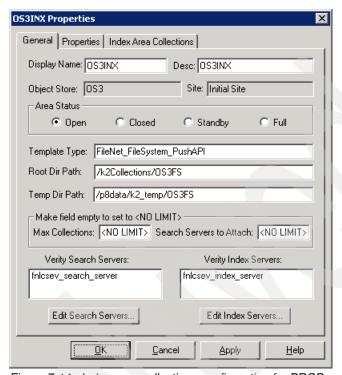


Figure 7-14 Index area collections configuration for PROD environment

Process Engine installation

For disaster recovery, be sure that the Process Engine servers for PROD and DR are set up in a single farm configuration, with the virtual host name (in our case fnlpev) serving as the load balancer name. See the *IBM FileNet P8 High Availability Technical Notice* publication for more information about configuring a Process Engine farm.

Consider the following guidelines when you install and configure Process Engine for the PROD environment:

Modify the /etc/hosts file on the Process Engine PROD server to include both the PROD and DR servers as shown in Example 7-1. Format the virtual host name to resolve to the PROD server.

Example 7-1 Sample /etc/hosts entries for the Process Engine PROD server

192.168.100.222 fnlpeprod fnlpeprod.fn.ibm.com fnlpev fnlpev.fn.ibm.com 10.0.200.222 fnlpedr fnlpedr.fn.ibm.com

- When installing the Content Engine client on the Process Engine, use the Content Engine server's virtual host name in the WSI URL, for example:
 - cemp:http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/
- Process Engine clients (in our case Workplace XT) send http requests to the Process Engine to get Interoperable Object Reference (IOR) information. By default, the Process Engine includes the IP address of the Process Engine host in the IOR response to Process Engine client. This works for a single Process Engine host, but in the case of Process Engine farm, using an IP address of a single Process Engine host in the IOR response breaks the purpose of a Process Engine farm. To resolve this issue, define the vworbbroker.endPoint using a load balancer name, or in our case, the virtual host name FNLPEV. Now, with proper local /etc/hosts table entries, each Process Engine host in a farm resolves the load balancer name to its own Process Engine host IP address. For example, using ipv4, define the vworbbroker.endPoint with the following value:

iiop://fnlpev.fn.ibm.com:32777/hostname in ior=fnlpev.fn.ibm.com

Figure 7-15 shows a sample configuration for the vworbbroker.endPoint value using Process Task Manager.

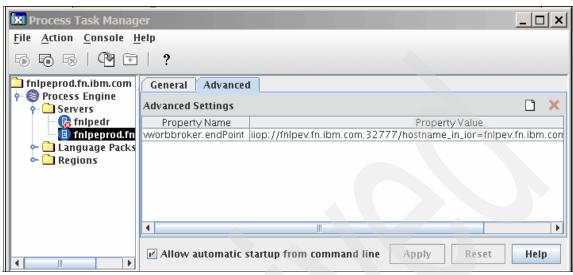


Figure 7-15 vworbbroker.endPoint configuration using Process Task Manager

▶ With the Enterprise Manager application, use the virtual host name when defining the Process Engine region, for example fnlpev.fn.ibm.com, as shown in Figure 7-16.

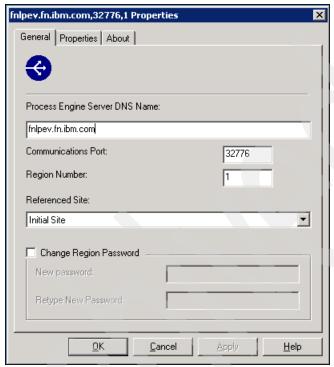


Figure 7-16 Process Engine region definition for PROD environment

▶ Use the Process Engine server's virtual host name when defining the corresponding connection point as shown in Figure 7-17.



Figure 7-17 Process Engine connection point definition for PROD environment

Workplace XT installation

Consider the following guidelines when installing and configuring Workplace XT for the PROD environment:

- For the path to use for the Workplace XT configuration files, use a file system that resides on SAN storage, and replicate to the DR environment.
- Workplace XT (and Application Engine) use EJB transport to connect to the Content Engine. Therefore, you must use the actual Content Engine host name, not the virtual host name, when specifying values for the following information:
 - Content Engine client URL
 - Content Engine upload URL
 - Content Engine download URL

For example, use the following URL when installing the PROD Workplace XT application:

cemp:iiop://fnlceprod.fn.ibm.com:2809/FileNet/Engine

► To configure the Component Manager on the PROD environment, see the values in Table 7-6.

Table 7-6 Component Manager Configuration Parameters

Parameter	Value
Content Engine URI	http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/
Connection Point	CPFNLPEV
Web Services Listener URL	http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/WorkplaceXT
Web Services Listener Local Host	fnlxtprod.fn.ibm.com:9081

Use the Content Engine server's virtual host name for the Content Engine URI field on the General tab as shown in Figure 7-18.

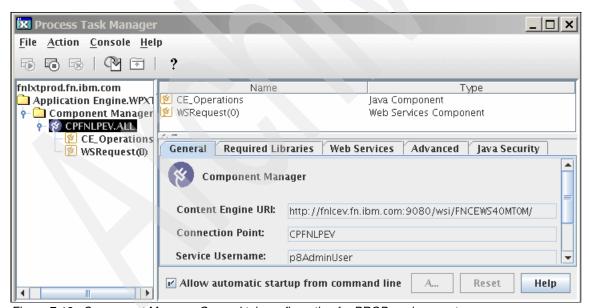


Figure 7-18 Component Manager General tab configuration for PROD environment

To configure the entries on the Web Services tab in the Component Manager, use the Workplace XT server's virtual host name for the listener URL field.

However, you must use the actual server host name when specifying the Web services listener local host parameter. See Figure 7-19 for sample Web services configuration parameters.

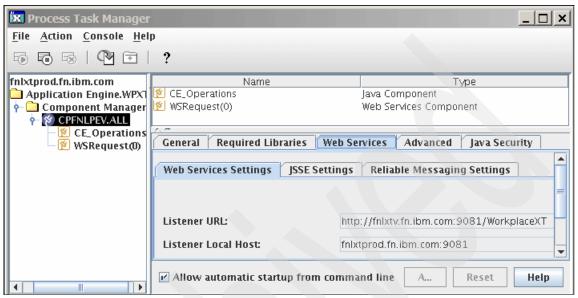


Figure 7-19 Component Manager Web Services configuration settings for the PROD environment

Image Services installation

Consider the following guidelines when you install and configure Image Services in the PROD environment:

- Create a file system with a mount point of /fnsw on the local volume group for the Image Services binary files. This file system does not have to be replicated to the DR environment.
- Create a file system with a mount point of /fnsw/local on the SAN storage volume group for the Image Services configuration files. This file system must be replicated to the DR environment.
- Create another file system for MSAR data with a mount point similar to /msar on the SAN storage volume group for storing Image Services documents. This file system must be replicated to the DR environment.

- ► Note that for Image Services, both the PROD and DR systems use the same values for the domain:organization (for example fnlisv:FileNet) and system serial number.
- ▶ Using the fn_edit tool, select the Network Addresses tab and set the network name to the Image Services server's virtual host name. Also, make sure the IP addresses for both the PROD and DR servers are included, as shown in Figure 7-20.

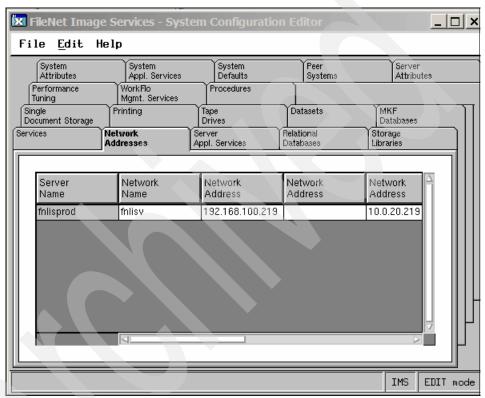


Figure 7-20 Network Addresses configuration for PROD Image Services environment



Backup and restore setup and configuration

This chapter provides procedures for backup and recovery of an IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 system using IBM Tivoli Storage Manager.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Backup and recovery overview
- ► Install and configure Tivoli Storage Manager
- Manual backup procedure using Tivoli Storage Manager
- Creating startup and shutdown scripts for FileNet P8
- Performing offline backups for FileNet P8
- ► Restore procedure for FileNet P8

8.1 Backup and recovery overview

In planning the backup and recovery strategy for your FileNet P8 environment, ensure that data and configuration files are backed up on a regular and consistent basis. Consider the following guidelines when implementing your backup and recovery solution:

- You must back up all data within a FileNet P8 domain at the same time to maintain data integrity.
- ► FileNet P8 Platform does not support online backups. Therefore, you must shut down all FileNet P8 components before you start your backups. Sample scripts for shutdown and startup are included in this chapter.
- ► To back up file systems, use a backup utility that preserves security settings on files and folders. For our case study, we use IBM Tivoli Storage Manager. Procedures to configure the Tivoli Storage Manager client on each FileNet P8 component are outlined in this chapter.
- Backing up the entire server is not a requirement, because you can reinstall the operating system and FileNet P8 component software at any time. However, having a complete server backup can significantly reduce the recovery time.

A common configuration on AIX systems is to create a default volume group for the system software, such as rootvg, and a second volume group for application data, for example datavg. The application software, or binaries, can reside on either volume group.

A bootable backup of the root volume group (rootvg) can be captured using the AIX mksysb command. A mksysb backup written to tape includes a boot record at the beginning of the tape, which allows the server to boot from tape during a restore operation. For mksysb backups written to a file on disk, a Network Installation Management (NIM) server can be used to restore a file-based backup.

The FileNet P8 system that we use to test the scenario outlined in this chapter stores information in the following locations:

- Root volume group (rootvg) located on internal disk drives
- ► Data volume group (datavg) located on SAN storage
- ► Network attached storage (NAS) volumes, mounted locally through NFS

Table 8-1 on page 177 through Table 8-6 on page 179 show the data organization for this system.

Table 8-1 Data configuration for Content Engine

Content Engine Local Disks: rootvg	Content Engine SAN Storage: datavg	Content Engine NAS Storage: NFS mount
AIX operating system		File storage area directory /p8data/FileStores
WebSphere binaries /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServ er		Autonomy K2 ^a temporary files /p8data/k2_temp
WebSphere profiles /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServ er/profiles		
Content Engine binaries /opt/IBM/FileNet		
Tivoli Storage Manager Client /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/ bin64		

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Table 8-2 Data configuration for Application Engine and Workplace XT

Application Engine / Workplace XT Local Disks: rootvg	Application Engine / Workplace XT SAN Storage: datavg	Application Engine / Workplace XT NAS Storage: NFS mount
AIX operating system		Application Engine/Workplace XT configuration files /p8data/Config
WebSphere binaries /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServ er		
WebSphere profiles /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServ er/profiles		
Application Engine/Workplace XT binaries /opt/IBM/FileNet		
Tivoli Storage Manager Client /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/ bin64		

Table 8-3 Data configuration for Content Search Engine

Content Search Engine Local Disk: rootvg	Content Search Engine SAN Storage: datavg	Content Search Engine NAS Storage: NFS mount
AIX operating system	K2 binaries /k2verity	K2 temporary files /p8data/k2_temp
Tivoli Storage Manager Client /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/ bin64	K2 collections (Indexes) /k2Collections	File storage area directory /p8data/FileStores

Table 8-4 Data configuration for Process Engine

Process Engine Local Disk: rootvg	Process Engine SAN Storage: datavg	Process Engine NAS Storage: NFS mount
AIX operating system		
Process Engine binaries and configuration files /fnsw /fnsw/local		
Tivoli Storage Manager Client /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/ bin64		

Table 8-5 Data configuration for Image Services

Image Services Local Disk: rootvg	Image Services SAN Storage: datavg	Image Services NAS Storage: NFS mount
AIX operating system	Image Services configuration files /fnsw/local	
Image Services binaries /fnsw	MSAR files /msar	
Tivoli Storage Manager Client /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/ bin64	Raw data partitions /dev/rfn_cache0 /dev/rfn_perm_db0 /dev/rfn_sec_db0 /dev/rfn_sec_rl0 /dev/rfn_trans_db0 /dev/rfn_trans_rl0	

Table 8-6 Data configuration for DB2 Database

DB2 Database Local Disk: rootvg	DB2 Database SAN Storage: datavg	DB2 Database NAS Storage: NFS mount
AIX operating system	DB2 instance directory /db2data/home/db2ins t1	
DB2 binaries /opt/IBM/db2/V9.7		
Tivoli Storage Manager Client /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/ bin64		

8.2 Install and configure Tivoli Storage Manager

This section outlines procedures for installing and configuring Tivoli Storage Manager Client software on FileNet P8 servers.

This section includes steps necessary for performing the following tasks:

- Install the Tivoli Storage Manager client software
- Configure the Tivoli Storage Manager client
- Configure journal based backups

Note: Only the installation and configuration procedures for Tivoli Storage Manager client as related to the FileNet P8 software are listed in the chapter. The procedures for setup and configuration of Tivoli Storage Manager server are not included in this book.

8.2.1 Installing Tivoli Storage Manager client software

To install the Tivoli Storage Manager V6.1 client software on an AIX server, perform the following steps:

 Download the Tivoli Storage Manager client software to a staging area on each FileNet P8 server. For our test scenario, we extracted the files to the following location:

/download/TSMClient

2. Log in as the root user and start the AIX installer:

3. When prompted for the INPUT device / directory for software, type in the name of the directory where you extracted the Tivoli Storage Manager client files, for example, use the following directory:

/download/TSMClient

4. Click **List**, next to the SOFTWARE to install check box, and select the components appropriate for your environment. For this test scenario, we selected the following items:

gsksa AIX Certificate and SSL Base Runtime ACME

Toolkit

gskta AIX Certificate and SSL Base Runtime ACME

Toolkit

tivoli.tsm.client.api.64bit Tivoli Storage Manager Client Application

Programming Interface

tivoli.tsm.client.ba.64bit Backup/Archive Base Files

tivoli.tsm.client.jbb.64bit Tivoli Storage Manager Client 64 -

Journal-based Backup

tivoli.tsm.filepath Tivoli Storage Manager Client 64 - Kernel

extension for JBB

xIC.aix50 C Set ++ Runtime for AIX 5.0

xlsmp.aix50.rte SMP Runtime Libraries for AIX 5.0

xlsmp.rte SMP Runtime Library

5. Click **yes** to accept the license agreement.

6. Accept defaults for all remaining fields. Click **OK** to start the installation.

8.2.2 Configuring the Tivoli Storage Manager client software

The Tivoli Storage Manager client software is installed in the following directory:

/usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64

You must edit configuration files located in this directory (the Tivoli Storage Manager options file dsm.opt.smp, and the Tivoli Storage Manager system file dsm.sys) and replace the sample parameters with values appropriate for your environment. Edits to these configuration files are described in the steps that follow.

Editing the Tivoli Storage Manager options file

Specify the name of the Tivoli Storage Manager server to be contacted by the client in the dsm.opt file. To edit this file, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in as the root user and change directory to the location of the Tivoli Storage Manager binary files:
 - cd /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64
- Make a copy of the sample Tivoli Storage Manager options file (dsm.opt.smp): cp dsm.opt.smp dsm.opt
- 3. Edit the dsm.opt file and change the SErvername parameter to match that of your Tivoli Storage Manager server. In Example 8-1, the Tivoli Storage Manager servername is set to fnltsmprod.

Example 8-1 Tivoli Storage Manager options file - dsm.opt

Editing the Tivoli Storage Manager system file

The Tivoli Storage Manager system file (dsm.sys) is used to specify connection parameters that are used by the client to communicate with the Tivoli Storage Manager server. To edit this file, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in as the root user and change directory to the location of the Tivoli Storage Manager binary files:
 - cd /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64
- Make a copy of the sample Tivoli Storage Manager system file (dsm.sys.smp): cp dsm.sys.smp dsm.sys
- 3. Edit the dsm.sys file and change the TCPServeraddress parameter to match that of your Tivoli Storage Manager server. You must also specify the communications method (COMMMethod) and TCP port number (TCPPort)

that is used to establish communications between the Tivoli Storage Manager server and client as shown in Example 8-2.

Note that we have added two optional parameters (PasswordAccess and ManagedServices) to be able to run the Tivoli Storage Manager scheduler service in client-acceptor mode. These parameters are discussed later in this chapter.

Example 8-2 Tivoli Storage Manager system file - dsm.sys

******************** * Tivoli Storage Manager * Client System Options file for AIX (dsm.sys) ************************ This file contains the minimum options required to get started using TSM. Copy dsm.sys.smp to dsm.sys. In the dsm.sys file, enter the appropriate values for each option listed below and remove the leading asterisk (*) for each one. If your client node communicates with multiple TSM servers, be sure to add a stanza, beginning with the SERVERNAME option, * for each additional server. ******************** SErvername fnltsmprod COMMMethod TCPip TCPPort 1500 TCPServeraddress fnltsmprod.fn.ibm.com PasswordAccess generate ManagedServices schedule webclient

Starting the client-acceptor scheduler service

Configure the Tivoli Storage Manager client by using one of the following methods to manage the scheduler process:

- ► The *traditional* method keeps the Tivoli Storage Manager scheduler process running continuously.
- ► The *client-acceptor* mode starts the scheduler service only when needed.

Generally, using the client-acceptor daemon to manage the scheduler is the preferred method. The client-acceptor daemon (dsmcad) provides services on the Tivoli Storage Manager client server to automatically start and stop the scheduler process as needed for each scheduled action.

To start the daemon manually, perform the following steps on your client server:

- 1. Log in to the Tivoli Storage Manager client server as the root user.
- 2. Change directory to the Tivoli Storage Manager binaries location:

```
cd /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64
```

- 3. Start the client-acceptor daemon:
 - ./dsmcad &
- 4. Check the log files dsmerror.log and dsmsched.log to verify that the client-acceptor daemon started successfully.

When you are satisfied that the client-acceptor daemon is configured correctly, you may configure the Tivoli Storage Manager client scheduler to run as a background system task, which starts automatically when your system is booted.

To enable this feature, you must set the ManagedServices option in the dsm.sys file to schedule, or schedule webclient. See Example 8-2 on page 182.

So that the scheduler can start unattended, you must enable the client to store its password by setting the PasswordAccess option to generate. See Example 8-2 on page 182.

To enable autostart, perform the following steps:

1. Log in as the root user and add the following entries (highlighted in **bold**) to your dsm.sys file as shown in Example 8-3.

Example 8-3 Parameters in dsm.sys used to automate the dsmcad daemon

SErvername fnltsmprod

COMMMethod TCPip

TCPPort 1500

TCPServeraddress fnltsmprod.fn.ibm.com

PasswordAccess generate

ManagedServices schedule webclient

- 2. To generate and store the password, run a simple Tivoli Storage Manager client command, such as:
 - ./dsmc query session
- 3. Using an editor, create a startup script for the client-acceptor daemon:
 - vi /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/rc.dsmcad
- 4. Include the commands shown in Example 8-4 on page 184 in your rc.dsmcad script file.

5. The script in the Tivoli binaries directory is the rc.dsmcad file. Grant execute permissions to the file:

chmod 755 /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/rc.dsmcad

6. Add the following entry to /etc/inittab so that the client-acceptor daemon can begin running when you restart your system. Type the entry on one continuous line:

tsm::once:/usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/rc.dsmcad > /dev/console
2>&1 # TSM Client Acceptor Daemon

Configuring the Tivoli Storage Manager journal based backup service

When a traditional Tivoli Storage Manager incremental backup is initiated, the following actions occur:

- 1. A list of objects on the Tivoli Storage Manager client is generated by scanning the entire local file system.
- 2. The Tivoli Storage Manager server inventory is queried to generate a list of all active objects for the file system.
- 3. The two lists are compared to generate a final list of objects that are either new, changed, or deleted and therefore must be included in the incremental backup.

This process can be time-consuming on large file systems. Tivoli Storage Manager Journal Based Backup (JBB) provides an alternative method for generating the incremental backup list. With this method, a journal daemon runs on the local system that monitors change activity on designated file systems and records the information to a change log. This change log is then referenced to determine which files to backup or expire when an incremental backup is initiated.

You can configure journaling on selected file systems. Using journaling on all file systems on a particular server is not necessary.

Note: Tivoli Storage Manager Journal Based Backup can be configured only on local file systems. Therefore, journaling on NFS-mounted file systems is not supported.

In most FileNet P8 configurations, the file storage areas directory resides in an NFS-mounted directory. To take advantage of journaling in these configurations, install and configure the Tivoli Storage Manager client with journaling enabled on the system that serves as the host for the file storage areas file system.

To enable journal based backups, perform the following steps:

 Make a copy of the sample Tivoli Storage Manager journal service configuration file (tsmjbbd.ini.smp):

```
cp tsmjbbd.ini.smp tsmjbbd.ini
```

Note that the sample tsmjbbd.ini file contains a number of commented lines, which are the lines that start with a semi-colon (;) character. The commented lines describe each of the journal service parameters configurable in Tivoli Storage Manager. Scroll to the bottom of the file to make changes appropriate for your environment.

2. Edit the tsmjbbd.ini file. Example 8-5 shows the parameters we specified to configure journaling for the /db2data directory on the database server.

Example 8-5 The tsmjbbd.ini file

Journaldir=/tsmjournal

[JournalExcludeList]

; Note that this list contains the journal database files.

*.jdb.jbbdb

*.jdbInc.jbbdb

[JournaledFileSystemSettings]
JournaledFileSystems=/db2data

; Override stanza for /db2data file system [JournaledFileSystemSettings./db2data] JournalDir=/tsmjournal/db2data PreserveDBOnExit=1 DeferFsMonStart=1 DeferRetryInterval=2 logFsErrors=0

3. Start the Tivoli Storage Manager journal daemon:

/usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/rc.tsmjbb

4. Journal startup information is recorded in the file specified in the Errorlog parameter in the tsmjbb.ini file. Successful initialization records information that is similar to the log file shown in Example 8-6.

Example 8-6 Journal daemon startup log file

```
10/24/09 12:31:49 Version 6, Release 1, Level 0.0
                                                      Last Update:
Mar 6 2009 tsmjbbd, /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64,
Prefs file: /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/tsmjbbd.ini, Journal
dir: /tsmjournal
Journaled filespaces: /db2data
10/24/09
          12:31:52 Bringing Journaled File System '/db2data'
online:
   Journal Database
                            : '/tsmjournal/db2data/tsm db2data.jdb'
   Notification Buffer Size : 0X020000
   Preserve Journal On Exit: Yes
   Allow Deferred Start
                          : Yes
   Defer Retry Interval
                            : 2 Seconds
   Log File System Errors
                            : No
```

5. When you are satisfied that the journaling is working correctly, run the following script to create an entry in the /etc/inittab directory so the daemon can start automatically when your system is restarted:

/usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/jbbinittab

The entry in the inittab script is similar to the following line:

tsmjbb:2:wait:/usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64/rc.tsmjbb >
/dev/console 2>&1 # tsmjbbd startup

8.3 Manual backup procedure using Tivoli Storage Manager

To validate your Tivoli Storage Manager client configuration, run a manual backup on each of the FileNet P8 servers by using the local Tivoli Storage Manager client. To run a manual backup on the Content Engine server, perform the following steps:

 Log in to the Content Engine server as the root user. Be sure your DISPLAY variable has been exported to your workstation. Change directory to the location of the Tivoli Storage Manager binaries and launch the Tivoli Storage Manager client application (dsmj):

```
cd /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64
./dsmj
```

2. The Tivoli Storage Manager interface is displayed, as shown in Figure 8-1 on page 188. Click the **Backup** link.



Figure 8-1 IBM Tivoli Storage Manager client interface

3. Select the files to back up. Figure 8-2 on page 189 shows the selections for the Content Engine, which include all the local file systems and the NFS-mounted /p8data directory.

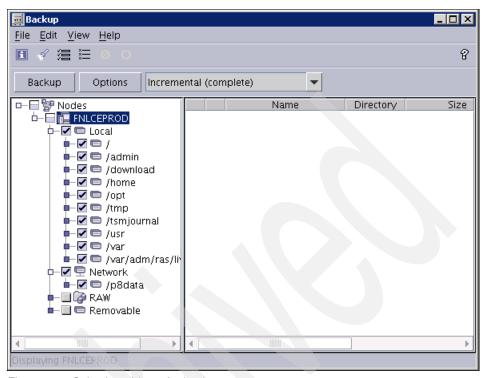


Figure 8-2 Selecting objects for backup

4. From the drop-down menu, set the backup type to **Incremental (complete)**. Click **Backup** to start the backup.

While the backup is running, status messages are displayed, similar to Figure 8-3.



Figure 8-3 Sample backup status message

5. A message similar to that shown in Figure 8-4 on page 190 is displayed when the backup is complete. Click **OK** to continue.



Figure 8-4 Sample backup completion message

A Detailed Status Report window similar to Figure 8-5 is displayed, showing statistical information relating to the backup.

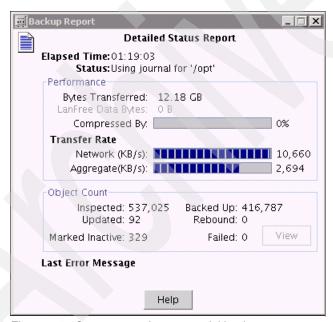


Figure 8-5 Status report for successful backup

- 6. Close the status report window, and exit the Tivoli Storage Manager client application.
- 7. Repeat these steps on each server in your FileNet P8 configuration.

8.4 Creating startup and shutdown scripts for FileNet P8

Because FileNet P8 software does not support hot backups, you must develop automated procedures to shut down and restart the FileNet P8 component software before and after backups. These procedures must be executed in the correct sequence, and be scheduled to accommodate your backup and maintenance window.

For the systems in our test scenario, we created shell scripts and cron jobs to automatically start up and shut down FileNet P8 components. This section provides examples of our shell scripts for your reference.

8.4.1 Starting and stopping the FileNet P8 J2EE-based applications

Several FileNet P8 components are J2EE-based applications that run on an application server:

- ► Content Manager
 - Content Engine (CE)
 - Application Engine (AE)
 - Workplace XT
- Business Process Manager
 - Business Activity Monitor (BAM)
 - Business Process Framework (BPF)
- FileNet P8 expansion products
 - eForms (eF)
 - Records Manager (RM)

These applications must be stopped and started using commands provided by your J2EE application server software. In our test scenario, we use IBM WebSphere Application Server version 7.0.0.5 for the applications installed on the Content Engine server (fnlceprod), and the Workplace XT server (fnlxtprod). Note the following information about our WebSphere configuration:

- WebSphere is running as a network deployment, with the deployment manager node residing on the Content Engine server (fnlceprod).
- WebSphere node agents are running on both the Content Engine server (fnlceprod), and the Workplace XT server (fnlxtprod).
- FileNet Content Engine application is deployed on the CEserver01 target on fnlceprod.
- ► Workplace XT application is deployed on the XTserver01 target on fnlxtprod.

The WebSphere cell topology for our FileNet P8 domain is shown in Figure 8-6.

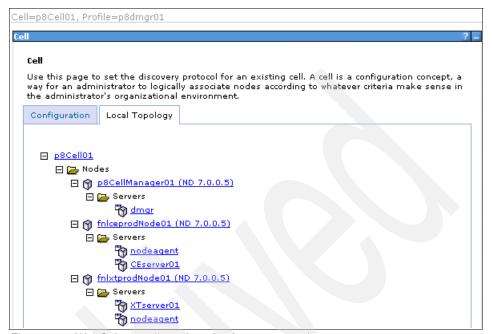


Figure 8-6 WebSphere cell topology for the test scenario

To stop the WebSphere software, you stop the server and node agent on the remote server first, which in our case, is server fnlxtprod.

Example 8-7 shows a copy of the script we used to stop all the WebSphere components (node agent and XTserver01) on fnlxtprod.

Example 8-7 Script to stop WebSphere services on the Workplace XT server

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to stop WebSphere services on fnlxtprod
#
# Script name: stopXTall.sh
echo "Stopping server XTserver01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/stopServer.sh XTserver01 \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password p8password
echo "Stopping node agent for fnlxtprodNode01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/stopNode.sh \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password p8password
```

The WebSphere components running on the Content Engine server (fnlceprod) include the deployment manager (dmgr), the node agent, and CEserver01. Example 8-8 shows commands for stopping the WebSphere components on fnlceprod.

Example 8-8 Script to stop WebSphere services on the Content Engine server

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to stop WebSphere services on fnlceprod
#
# Script name: stopCEall.sh
echo "Stopping server CEserver01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/stopServer.sh CEserver01 \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password p8password

echo "Stopping node agent for fnlceprodNode01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/stopNode.sh \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password p8password

echo "Stopping deployment manager (p8dmgr01) . . . "
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/bin/stopManager.sh \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password p8password
```

After backups are complete, you use a script similar to the one in Example 8-9 to restart WebSphere components on the Content Engine server (fnlceprod).

Example 8-9 Script to restart WebSphere services on the Content Engine server

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to start WebSphere services on fnlceprod
#
# Script name: startCEall.sh
echo "Starting deployment manager (p8dmgr01) . . . "
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/bin/startManager.sh \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password p8password
echo "Starting node agent for fnlceprodNode01 . . "
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh
echo "Starting server CEserver01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh CEserver01
```

To restart WebSphere components on the Workplace XT server (fnlxtprod), see Example 8-10.

Example 8-10 Script to restart WebSphere services on the Workplace XT server

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to start WebSphere services on fnlxtprod
#
# Script name: startXTall.sh
echo "Starting node agent for fnlxtprodNode01 . . . "
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh
echo "Starting server XTserver01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh XTserver01
```

8.4.2 Starting and stopping the FileNet P8 Component Manager

The Component Manager is a Process Engine component that runs on either the Application Engine (AE) server or the Workplace XT server. Because the command line to start the Component Manager can be long and complex, you use the Process Task Manager applet to generate the startup command for you. To use this feature, enable the Show Command button in the Process Task

Manager. To enable this feature and use it to generate the Component Manager startup command on Workplace XT, perform the following steps (The procedure for generating the command on the Application Engine is similar):

- 1. Log in to the Workplace XT server as the FileNet P8 operating system user. In our case, we logged in as user p8OSusr.
- 2. Open the taskman.properties file in an editor. The taskman.properties file is in the $<install_dir>$ /Router directory on your WPXT server, for example:

/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman.properties

3. Add the line filenet.ae.taskman.cm.advanced=true to the taskman.properties file. See text highlighted in **bold** in Example 8-11.

Example 8-11 The taskman.profiperties file

```
java.security.auth.login.config=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman.l
ogin.config
java.security.policy=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman.policy
wasp.location=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/CE_API/wsi
java.protocol.handler.pkgs=com.ibm.net.ssl.www2.protocol
filenet.ae.taskman.cm.advanced=true

WF_HELP=http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/ecm_help/pe_help

TaskManager.ConsolidatedView=true
TaskManager.P8TASKMAN_HOME=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/CommonFiles
TaskManager.ServiceMode=false
TaskManager.ServiceName=VWServicesWPXT
TaskManager.ServiceDisplayName=Process WP XT Services Manager
TaskManager.ProductID=TaskManager.WPXT
```

4. Save your edits and launch the Process Task Manager applet as follows:

```
cd /opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router
./routercmd.sh
```

5. In the left pane of the Process Task Manager, select the name of your connection point.

In our case, we selected CPFNLPEV.ALL, as shown in Figure 8-7.



Figure 8-7 Select connection point in Process Task Manager view

6. In the panel on the right side of the Process Task Manager, select the Java Security tab. The Show command button is then displayed (Figure 8-8). If you do not see the button, be sure you made the correct edits to the taskman.properties file as noted in Step 3.



Figure 8-8 Process Task Manager Java Security view

 Click Show command. A Message window opens. It lists the Component Manager startup command similar to the one in Figure 8-9. Copy the text that is displayed in the window to your Component Manager startup script, and then click Close.



Figure 8-9 Sample Component Manager startup command

Example 8-12 shows a sample Component Manager startup script.

Example 8-12 Component Manager startup script

```
#!/bin/ksh
# Script to start the Component Manager on fnlxtprod
# Script name: startCM.sh
cd /home/p80Susr
date >>nohup.out
echo "Starting component manager..." >>nohup.out
nohup /opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/java/jre/bin/java
-Dfilenet.pe.bootstrap.ceuri=http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM
/ -Dwasp.location=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/CE API/wsi
-Djava.protocol.handler.pkgs=com.ibm.net.ssl.www2.protocol
-Djava.security.auth.login.config=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman
.login.config
-Djava.security.policy=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman.policy
-Dorg.apache.axis.components.net.SecureSocketFactory=filenet.ws.utils.jsse.
FnJSSESocketFactory -cp
/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/pe.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Rou
ter/lib/peResources.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/ContentExtend
edOps.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/xml-apis.jar:/opt/IBM/FileN
et/WebClient/Router/lib/xercesImpl.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/li
b/saaj.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/CE API/lib/Jace.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/
WebClient/Router/lib/mailapi.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/smtp
.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/axis.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebCli
ent/Router/lib/axis-schema.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/wsdl4j
.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/commons-logging.jar:/opt/IBM/Fil
eNet/WebClient/Router/lib/commons-discovery.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/
Router/lib/jaxrpc.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/juddi.jar:/opt/
IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/download/activation.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/
WebClient/Router/lib/addressing.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/S
andesha.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/download/ciops.jar:/opt/
IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/download/javaapi.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/Web
Client/WorkplaceXT/download/applets.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Workplac
eXT/download/xalan.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib:/opt/IBM/FileN
et/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/WEB-INF:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/dow
nload/pe3pt.jar filenet.vw.integrator.base.VWComponentManager /named
/routerURL CPFNLPEV /userName=-1 /password
mhuFol90nlbNpPiLpxbDqQPEn44Sq2GLa34QbK00 /registryPort 32771 /eventPort
32773 /registryName FileNet.VW.VWComponentManager.CPFNLPEV.ALL /queues=* &
```

8. To create the Component Manager shutdown script, add the following option to the same command line that is used to start the Component Manager:

/unbind

Be sure to put this option before the ampersand (&) character at the end of the command line. A sample shutdown script is shown in Example 8-13.

Example 8-13 Component Manager shutdown script

```
#!/bin/ksh
# Script to shut down the Component Manager on fnlxtprod
# Script name: stopCM.sh
cd /home/p80Susr
date >>nohup.out
echo "Stopping component manager..." >>nohup.out
nohup /opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/java/jre/bin/java
-Dfilenet.pe.bootstrap.ceuri=http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM
/ -Dwasp.location=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/CE API/wsi
-Djava.protocol.handler.pkgs=com.ibm.net.ssl.www2.protocol
-Djava.security.auth.login.config=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman
.login.config
-Djava.security.policy=/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/taskman.policy
-Dorg.apache.axis.components.net.SecureSocketFactory=filenet.ws.utils.jsse.
FnJSSESocketFactory -cp
/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/pe.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Rou
ter/lib/peResources.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/ContentExtend
edOps.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/xml-apis.jar:/opt/IBM/FileN
et/WebClient/Router/lib/xercesImpl.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/li
b/saaj.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/CE API/lib/Jace.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/
WebClient/Router/lib/mailapi.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/smtp
.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/axis.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebCli
ent/Router/lib/axis-schema.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/wsdl4j
.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/commons-logging.jar:/opt/IBM/Fil
eNet/WebClient/Router/lib/commons-discovery.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/
Router/lib/jaxrpc.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/juddi.jar:/opt/
IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/download/activation.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/
WebClient/Router/lib/addressing.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib/S
andesha.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/download/ciops.jar:/opt/
IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/download/javaapi.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/Web
Client/WorkplaceXT/download/applets.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Workplac
eXT/download/xalan.jar:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/lib:/opt/IBM/FileN
et/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/WEB-INF:/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/WorkplaceXT/dow
nload/pe3pt.jar filenet.vw.integrator.base.VWComponentManager /named
/routerURL CPFNLPEV /userName=-1 /password
mhuFol90nlbNpPiLpxbDqQPEn44Sq2GLa34QbK00 /registryPort 32771 /eventPort
32773 /registryName FileNet.VW.VWComponentManager.CPFNLPEV.ALL /queues=*
/undbind &
```

8.4.3 Starting and stopping the Content Search Engine

To start and stop the Content Search Engine (CSE), use the **k2adminstart** and **k2adminstop** commands, which are located in the following directory on your Content Search Engine server:

```
<cse_install_dir>/k2/<platform_dir>/bin
```

We used the following commands for our system:

```
/k2verity/k2/_rs6k43/bin/k2adminstart
/k2verity/k2/_rs6k43/bin/k2adminstop
```

To run the **k2adminstart** and **k2adminstop** commands, log in as the K2 operating system user, which in our case is p8OSusr.

These commands can be added to your startup and shutdown scripts to be run before and after backups. A sample Content Search Engine startup script is shown in Example 8-14.

Example 8-14 Content Search Engine startup script

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to start the Content Search Engine on fnlcseprod
#
# Script name: startK2.sh

cd /k2verity
date >>nohup.out
echo "Starting k2 . . ." >>nohup.out
nohup /k2verity/k2/_rs6k43/bin/k2adminstart &
```

Similarly, a sample Content Search Engine shutdown script is shown in Example 8-15.

Example 8-15 Content Search Engine shutdown script

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to stop the Content Search Engine on fnlcseprod
#
# Script name: stopK2.sh

cd /k2verity
date >>nohup.out
echo "Stopping k2 . . ." >>nohup.out
nohup /k2verity/k2/_rs6k43/bin/k2adminstop
```

8.4.4 Starting and stopping the Process Engine

The Process Engine (PE) has a built in command for starting and stopping the software.

To start the Process Engine, run the following command:

/fnsw/bin/initfnsw start

To stop the Process Engine, use the following command:

/fnsw/bin/initfnsw -y stop

The Process Engine logs information generated by the **initfnsw** command in the following location:

/fnsw/local/logs/elogs

8.4.5 Starting and stopping Image Services

In its simplest form, the process to start and stop Image Services is the same as that used to start and stop the Process Engine.

To start Image Services, run the following command:

/fnsw/bin/initfnsw start

To stop Image Services, use the following command:

/fnsw/bin/initfnsw -y stop

However, the following add-on components to Image Services must also be stopped and restarted when you recycle Image Services:

- ► High-Performance Image Import (HPII)
- Medium-Range Image Import (MRII)
- Document Archive Retrieval Transport (DART)
- Computer Output Laser Disk (COLD)

Starting and stopping Image Services add-on components

Many Image Services configurations include add-on applications that must be launched when you start Image Services through the <code>initfnsw start</code> command. Place the required startup commands in an <code>ims_start</code> script file in the <code>/fnsw/local/sd</code> directory. When you execute the <code>initfnsw start</code> command, it will first start the Image Services software, then search the <code>/fnsw/local/sd</code> directory for the existence of an <code>ims_start</code> script file. If an <code>ims_start</code> script file is found, the commands in this script are executed immediately after the Image

Services software startup is complete. Example 8-16 shows a sample ims_start script file for starting HPII.

Example 8-16 The /fnsw/local/sd/ims_start script

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to start up HPII software on fnlisprod
# using the command "initfnsw start"
#
# Script name: /fnsw/local/sd/ims_start

/fnsw/bin/sys_log "Starting HPII software on fnlisprod..."

ORG_PATH=${PATH}
PATH=/fnsw/client/bin:${PATH}
cd /fnsw/local/bin
/fnsw/local/bin/HPII_start -h /fnsw/local/bin
/fnsw/bin/sys_log "HPII software started..."
PATH=${ORG_PATH}
```

Similarly, the **initfnsw stop** command looks in the /fnsw/local/sd directory for an ims_stop script file, for a list of commands to be run before stopping the Image Services software. Example 8-17 shows an ims_stop script file for shutting down HPII.

Example 8-17 The /fnsw/local/sd/ims_stop script

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to start up HPII software on fnlisprod
# using the command "initfnsw start"
#
# Script name: /fnsw/local/sd/ims_start
/fnsw/bin/sys_log "Stopping HPII software on fnlisprod..."
ORG_PATH=${PATH}
PATH=/fnsw/client/bin:${PATH}
cd /fnsw/local/bin
/fnsw/local/bin/HPII_stop
/fnsw/bin/sys_log "HPII software stopped..."
PATH=${ORG_PATH}
```

Note: The ims_start and ims_stop files require execute permissions. Also, the location and names of these files are fixed; you cannot use alternative names or capitalization.

Backing up Image Services raw data

On UNIX platforms, Image Services stores certain data, such as that used for the MKF Permanent, Transient and Security databases, in raw partitions. This data cannot be backed up directly by a file level backup utility. Because of this limitation, Image Services software includes an Enterprise Backup and Restore (EBR) utility for backing up raw data to a standard file. A best practice in Image Services is to precede your file-level backups by using tools such as Tivoli Storage Manager with an EBR backup. This way, the data that is stored in the raw partitions is converted to a flat file format, which in turn can then be backed up by using a standard backup utility such as Tivoli Storage Manager.

Example 8-18 shows a sample script that places the Image Services software in backup mode, runs the EBR backup utility for the raw data partitions, and then stops the software for regular backups.

Example 8-18 Script for running EBR backups on Image Services

```
#! /bin/sh
#
# Script to run EBR backup of PERM and SEC databases
# and shut down IS software for full offline backup
#
# Script name: /EBRdata/scripts/perm_sec_off.sh
#
# Remove previous backup files
#
rm /EBRdata/Backups/perm1-ebr.dat
rm /EBRdata/Backups/perm2-ebr.dat
rm /EBRdata/Backups/sec-ebr.dat
#
# Label EBR disk files for current backup
#
EBR_label disk=/EBRdata/Backups/perm1-ebr.dat vg=VG1 ser=R1
EBR_label disk=/EBRdata/Backups/perm2-ebr.dat vg=VG1 ser=R2
EBR_label disk=/EBRdata/Backups/sec-ebr.dat vg=VG1 ser=R3
#
# Place the FileNet Image Services software in backup mode
```

```
#
/fnsw/bin/initfnsw -y stop
sleep 30
/fnsw/bin/initfnsw -y backup
sleep 30
#
# Run the EBR script to create an offline backup of the
# PERM and SEC databases
#
/fnsw/bin/EBR @/EBRdata/scripts/perm_sec_off.ebr
#
# Shut down the FileNet Image Services software
#
/fnsw/bin/initfnsw -y stop
```

In the script, the following command is used to call the EBR utility:

/fnsw/bin/EBR @/EBRdata/scripts/perm sec off.ebr

Example 8-19 shows a sample EBR script that creates an offline backup of the Permanent and Security databases. For instructions of creating and running EBR scripts, see the *IBM FileNet Image Services Enterprise Backup and Restore User's Guide*, which is available from the following location:

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3283&uid=swg27010558

Example 8-19 Sample EBR script for offline backup of Permanent and Security databases (/EBRdata/scripts/perm_sec_off.ebr)

```
END DATASETS
DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS
 perm1 : disk_file
    location = "fnlisv:FileNet";
    filename = "/EBRdata/Backups/perm1-ebr.dat";
 end_disk_file
 perm2 : disk file
    location = "fnlisv:FileNet";
    filename = "/EBRdata/Backups/perm2-ebr.dat";
 end disk file
 sec : disk file
    location = "fnlisv:FileNet";
    filename = "/EBRdata/Backups/sec-ebr.dat";
 end_disk_file
END_DEVICE_SPECIFICATIONS
BACKUP_OPTIONS
    sec: backup_options
       full backup;
        offline backup;
    end_backup_options
    perm: backup options
        full backup;
        offline backup;
    end backup options
END BACKUP OPTIONS
THREADS
  num_threads = 3;
  thread 1
    device = perm1;
    volume_serial = R1;
                                       -- tape serial number
    datasets
        perm (part 1 of 2);
  end_thread
   thread 2
     device = perm2;
```

8.5 Performing offline backups for FileNet P8

Because FileNet P8 software does not support backups while the software is active, scripts similar to those outlined in the previous section are required to shut down the software prior to running backups.

8.5.1 Determining shutdown sequence

Consider the relationship of the various FileNet P8 components when you are determining the proper sequence to shut down the software. A suggested sequence for preparing a FileNet P8 system for an offline backup is as follows:

- 1. Shut down any applications and components that input data into FileNet P8:
 - Application Engine
 - Workplace XT
 - Image Services (CFS-IS)
- 2. Shut down any applications and components that depend on the Process Engine:
 - Component Manager
 - Process Analyzer
 - Process Simulator
- Shut down the Process Engine.
- Shut down the Content Engine.
- 5. Shut down the Content Search Engine.
- Shut down the database.

Figure 8-10 illustrates the shutdown sequence for the FileNet P8 system used in our test scenario.

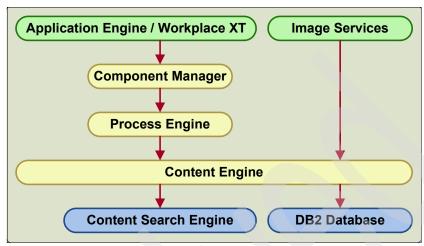


Figure 8-10 Shutdown sequence for test scenario FileNet P8 domain

8.5.2 Determining shutdown timing

During development of your shutdown scripts, conduct test runs to determine the amount of time required for each script to complete. In most cases, the start and end times are recorded in application log files. For those components that do not post time stamps to log files, insert the UNIX date command to your scripts to record the system time, where appropriate, in your output files.

For the Application Engine, Workplace XT, and Content Engine, time stamps are included in the log files created by your application server software. For example, for WebSphere Application Server, start and stop times are recorded in the following log file:

<WAS install dir>/profiles//logs/<servername>/SystemOut.log

The Process Engine and Image Services components record time stamps in log files located in the /fnsw/local/logs/elogs directory. In addition, for Image Services, the EBR logs are located in the /fnsw/local/logs/EBR directory.

The Component Manager and Content Search Engine shutdown scripts shown previously in this chapter direct the date command output to the nohup.out file.

For the FileNet P8 system used in our test scenario, we set the Tivoli Storage Manager schedule to commence backups on all the FileNet P8 servers at 4:00 a.m. Based on time stamps recorded in log files by the various shutdown

scripts, the sequence and timings for stopping the FileNet P8 software for a 4:00 a.m. backup is as noted in Table 8-7.

Table 8-7 Shutdown sequence

FileNet P8 Component	Stop Time		
Workplace XT	3:30 a.m.		
Image Services	3:30 a.m.		
Component Manager	3:35 a.m.		
Process Engine	3:40 a.m.		
Content Engine	3:45 a.m.		
Content Search Engine	3:50 a.m.		
DB2 Database	3:50 a.m.		

This schedule is implemented through the following crontab entries. Notice that the **su** command is used to run each cron job as the appropriate UNIX user.

Workplace XT server (fnlxtprod):

```
30 03 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/stopXTall.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1 35 03 * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/stopCM.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

Image Services server (fnlisprod):

```
30 03 * * * su - fnsw "-c /EBRdata/scripts/perm sec off.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

Process Engine server (fnlpeprod):

```
40 03 * * * su - fnsw "-c /fnsw/bin/initfnsw -y stop" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

Content Engine server (fnlceprod):

```
45 03 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/stopCEall.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

Content Search Engine server (fnlcseprod):

```
50 03 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/stopk2.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

DB2 database server (fnldb2prod):

```
50 03 * * * su - db2inst1 "-c db2 quiesce instance db2inst1 immediate force connections" 2>\&1
```

Note that no crontab entry is used to initiate backups. In the case of Tivoli Storage Manager, backups are managed through the **dsmcad** daemon as discussed earlier in this chapter. You must, however, review the Tivoli Storage Manager backup logs to determine the length of time required to complete the backups. The Tivoli Storage Manager backup log file is named dsmsched.log,

and can be found on the client servers in the same directory as the Tivoli Storage Manager binaries (for example, /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64.)

For our test scenario, we allocated one hour to do the backup (from 4:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.). Table 8-8 shows the software startup time after the backup is done.

Table 8-8 Software startup sequence

Application/Component	Startup Time	
DB2 Database	5:00 a.m.	
Content Search Engine	5:00 a.m.	
Content Engine	5:05 a.m.	
Process Engine	5:15 a.m.	
Component Manager	5:20 a.m.	
Image Services	5:25 a.m.	
Workplace XT	5:25 a.m.	

As with the shutdown sequence, the startup sequence is implemented through crontab entries:

▶ DB2 database server (fnldb2prod):

```
00 05 * * * su - db2inst1 "-c db2 unquiesce instance db2inst1" 2>&1
```

► Content Search Engine server (fnlcseprod):

```
00 05 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/startk2.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

► Content Engine server (fnlceprod):

```
05 05 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/startCEall.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

Process Engine server (fnlpeprod):

```
15 05 * * * su - fnsw "-c /fnsw/bin/initfnsw start" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

► Image Services server (fnlisprod):

```
25 05 * * * su - fnsw "-c /fnsw/bin/initfnsw start" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

Workplace XT server (fnlxtprod):

```
20 05 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/startCM.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1 25 05 * * * su - p80Susr "-c /opt/scripts/startXTall.sh" 1>/dev/null 2>&1
```

8.5.3 Additional backup considerations

As mentioned previously in this chapter, back up your system software using a tool similar to the AIX mksysb command. However, be aware that mksysb backs up only the root volume group (rootvg). Information residing on other volume groups such as datavg or NAS devices, is not included in the mksysb backup. Usually this data is backed up using the vendor file-based backup utility such as Tivoli Storage Manager.

If you have a hardware failure such as the loss of a disk drive, you might be required to re-create the data volume group and its associated logical volumes and file systems prior to restoring your data to this location. Therefore, be sure you maintain system documentation that includes the information you might need to re-create these objects. To accomplish this task, run system documentation scripts on a routine basis to collect the information required.

System documentation

The script in Example 8-20 shows commands that can be used to gather information about your file systems and volume groups and output the results to a text file.

Example 8-20 Sample system documentation script

```
#!/bin/ksh
# Script to collect configuration information on fnlcseprod
# Script name: system doc.sh
# This script should be run as the root user
SYSTEM DOC="/backups/system/fnlcseprod system.doc"
date > $SYSTEM DOC
echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
### List Software Version
echo "**** uname -a ***** >> $SYSTEM DOC
uname -a >> $SYSTEM DOC
echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
echo "**** oslevel -sq *****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
oslevel -sq >> $SYSTEM DOC
echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
### Check File System Utilization
echo "**** File System Utilization *****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
df -m >> $SYSTEM DOC
echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
```

```
### List Physical Volumes
echo "**** Physical Volume Information **** >> $SYSTEM DOC
echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
lspv | while read HDISK
do
  echo "*****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
  echo ${HDISK} >> $SYSTEM DOC
  echo "*****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
  lspv ${HDISK} >> $SYSTEM DOC
  lspv -1 ${HDISK} >> $SYSTEM DOC
  echo " " >>$SYSTEM DOC
done
### List Volume Groups
echo "***** Volume Group Information *****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
lsvg | while read VGNAME
do
  echo "*****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
  echo ${VGNAME} >> $SYSTEM DOC
  echo "*****" >> $SYSTEM DOC
  lsvg ${VGNAME} >> $SYSTEM DOC
  lsvg -1 ${VGNAME} >> $SYSTEM DOC
  echo " " >> $SYSTEM DOC
done
```

Execute your system documentation script daily. Direct the output from your system documentation script to a file system located on the root volume group. If you are faced with a full system recovery, you would be able to restore the rootvg through a mksysb backup, then access the information contained in this output file to rebuild your data volume group. Example 8-21 shows sample output from the system documentation script.

Example 8-21 Sample system documentation

```
Mon Nov 16 23:00:00 EST 2009

***** uname -a *****

AIX fnlcseprod 1 6 00C7CD9E4C00

***** oslevel -sq *****
6100-02-01-0847
6100-01-03-0846
6100-01-02-0834
6100-01-01-0823
6100-01-00-0000
6100-00-07-0846
```

```
6100-00-06-0834
6100-00-05-0822
6100-00-04-0815
6100-00-03-0808
6100-00-02-0750
6100-00-01-0748
***** File System Utilization *****
Filesystem
              MB blocks
                                             Iused %Iused Mounted on
                              Free %Used
/dev/hd4
                 512.00
                            310.68
                                     40%
                                             12392
                                                      15% /
/dev/hd2
                 1856.00
                             50.73
                                     98%
                                             34733
                                                      70% /usr
/dev/hd9var
                 128.00
                             53.65
                                     59%
                                             4557
                                                      27% /var
/dev/hd3
                2048.00
                           2036.86
                                                77
                                                       1% /tmp
                                      1%
/dev/hd1
                  64.00
                             63.58
                                      1%
                                                25
                                                       1% /home
/dev/hd11admin
                  128.00
                             127.64
                                       1%
                                                  5
                                                        1% /admin
                                                       - /proc
/proc
                2048.00
                                              2791
/dev/hd10opt
                           1889.09
                                      8%
                                                       1% /opt
/dev/livedump
                 256.00
                            255.64
                                      1%
                                                 4
                                                       1% /var/adm/ras/livedump
/dev/download lv
                   4096.00
                               824.34
                                        80%
                                                   64
                                                          1% /download
                1024.00
/dev/tsmjrnlv
                           1017.31
                                                14
                                                       1% /tsmjournal
                                      1%
/dev/k2datalv 10112.00 10022.93
                                      1%
                                               146
                                                       1% /k2Collections
/dev/k2veritylv
                  2048.00
                                              17485
                                                         7% /k2verity
                             1047.28
                                       49%
192.168.100.114:/p8data 161792.00 145465.86
                                               11%
                                                                42% /p8data
                                                     2539287
**** Physical Volume Information
*****
hdisk0 00c7cd9e81b6528a rootvg active
*****
PHYSICAL VOLUME:
                     hdisk0
                                               VOLUME GROUP:
                                                                 rootvg
PV IDENTIFIER:
                     00c7cd9e81b6528a VG IDENTIFIER
00c7cd9e00004c000000012381b65458
PV STATE:
                     active
STALE PARTITIONS:
                                              ALLOCATABLE:
                                                                 yes
PP SIZE:
                     64 megabyte(s)
                                              LOGICAL VOLUMES:
                                                                 14
TOTAL PPs:
                     559 (35776 megabytes)
                                              VG DESCRIPTORS:
FREE PPs:
                    257 (16448 megabytes)
                                              HOT SPARE:
                                                                 no
USED PPs:
                     302 (19328 megabytes)
                                              MAX REQUEST:
                                                                 256 kilobytes
FREE DISTRIBUTION: 79..00..00..66..112
USED DISTRIBUTION:
                    33..112..111..46..00
MIRROR POOL:
                    None
hdisk0:
                       LPs
                               PPs
LV NAME
                                       DISTRIBUTION
                                                              MOUNT POINT
                       8
                               8
                                       00..00..03..05..00
hd4
hd2
                       29
                               29
                                       00..00..27..02..00
                                                              /usr
hd6
                       94
                               94
                                                              N/A
                                       00..44..50..00..00
hd8
                       1
                               1
                                       00..00..01..00..00
                                                              N/A
hd1
                       1
                               1
                                       00..00..01..00..00
                                                              /home
hd10opt
                       32
                                       00..00..03..29..00
                                                              /opt
```

hd9var	2	2	00 00	0020000	/var
hd3	32	32		0221000	/tmp
hd5	1	1		0000000	N/A
· -		2			
hd11admin	2			0020000	/admin
livedump	4	4	0002	1000000	
/var/adm/ras/livedu	•				
lg_dumplv	16	16		5000000	N/A
tsmjrnlv	16	16		00000	/tsmjournal
download_lv	64	64	1648	3000000	/download

hdisk1 00c7cd9e8430	Odcb datav	/g activ	e		
PHYSICAL VOLUME:	hdisk1			VOLUME GROUP:	datavg
PV IDENTIFIER:	00c7cd9e8	34300dcb	VG IDEN	NTIFIER	
00c7cd9e00004c00000	0001248796	51f			
PV STATE:	active				
STALE PARTITIONS:	0			ALLOCATABLE:	yes
PP SIZE:	64 megaby	te(s)		LOGICAL VOLUME	S: 3
TOTAL PPs:	191 (1222		vtes)	VG DESCRIPTORS	
FREE PPs:	0 (0 mega		,	HOT SPARE:	no
USED PPs:	191 (1222		vtes)	MAX REQUEST:	256 kilobytes
FREE DISTRIBUTION:	00000				·
USED DISTRIBUTION:	39383				
MIRROR POOL:	None				
hdisk1:					
LV NAME	LPs	PPs	DISTRI	IBUTION	MOUNT POINT
log1v00	1	1		0000001	N/A
k2veritylv	32	32		0000032	/k2verity
k2datalv	158	158		3383805	/k2Collections
REddediv	130	130	331.30		/ KEGOTTECCTONS
***** Volume Group	Information	on ****			

rootvg					

VOLUME GROUP:	rootvg			VG IDENTIFIER:	
00c7cd9e00004c00000	-	5458		VO IDENTITIEN.	
VG STATE:	active	7-30		PP SIZE:	64 megabyte(s)
VG PERMISSION:	read/writ	۱-۵		TOTAL PPs:	559 (35776
megabytes)	r caa, wr r			TOTAL TTS.	333 (33770
MAX LVs:	256			FREE PPs:	257 (16448
megabytes)	230			INLL FFS.	237 (10440
LVs:	1./			HCED DDc.	202 (10220
	14			USED PPs:	302 (19328
megabytes)	13			OLIODUM -	2 (Enablad)
OPEN LVs:				QUORUM:	2 (Enabled)
TOTAL PVs:	1			VG DESCRIPTORS	
STALE PVs:	0			STALE PPs:	0
ACTIVE PVs:	1			AUTO ON:	yes

MAX PPs per VG: MAX PPs per PV: LTG size (Dynamic): HOT SPARE:	32512 1016 256 kilobyt	te(s)		MAX PV: AUTO S' BB POL	YNC:	32 no reloc	catable
rootvg: LV NAME hd5 hd6 hd8 hd4 hd2 hd9var hd3 hd1 hd10opt hd11admin lg_dumplv livedump /var/adm/ras/livedum download lv	TYPE boot paging jfs2log jfs2 jfs2 jfs2 jfs2 jfs2 jfs2 jfs2 jfs2	LPs 1 94 1 8 29 2 32 1 32 2 16 4	PPs 1 94 1 8 29 2 32 1 32 2 16 4 64	PVs 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	LV STATE closed/sy open/sync	ed ed ed ed ed ed ed ed	MOUNT POINT N/A N/A N/A / /usr /var /tmp /home /opt /admin N/A /download
tsmjrnlv	jfs2	16	16	1	open/synd		tsmjournal/
<pre>***** datavg ***** VOLUME GROUP: 00c7cd9e00004c000000 VG STATE: VG PERMISSION:</pre>	datavg 001248796b51 active read/write	lf		VG IDER			egabyte(s) (12224
megabytes) MAX LVs: LVs:	256 3			FREE PI			megabytes) (12224
megabytes) OPEN LVs: TOTAL PVs: STALE PVs: ACTIVE PVs: MAX PPs per VG:	3 1 0 1 32512			QUORUM VG DESO STALE I AUTO OI	CRIPTORS: PPs:		nabled)
MAX PPs per PV: LTG size (Dynamic): HOT SPARE:	1016	te(s)		MAX PV: AUTO S' BB POL	YNC:	32 no reloc	catable
<pre>datavg: LV NAME k2datalv /k2Collections</pre>	TYPE jfs2	LPs 158	PPs 158	PVs 1	LV STATE open/sync	cd	MOUNT POINT
k2veritylv loglv00	jfs2 jfs2log	32 1	32 1	1 1	open/sync		/k2verity N/A

Backup WebSphere profiles

An optional step you may want to consider including in your backup strategy, is to back up your application server profiles used in your FileNet P8 configuration. For IBM WebSphere, this task is accomplished by using the managerprofiles.sh command. A sample script for backing up the deployment manager profile for our test configuration is shown in Example 8-22.

Example 8-22 Deployment manager profile backup script

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to backup the WebSphere profile p8dmgr01 on fnlceprod
#
# Script name: backup_p8dmgr01.sh
#
# This script should be run as the WAS owner (root).
# Stop WebSphere using the stopCEall.sh script prior to backing up the profile.
#
rm /backups/profiles/fnlceprod_p8dmgr01.zip
echo "Backing up profile p8dmgr01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh \
-backupProfile \
-profileName p8dmgr01 \
-backupFile /backups/profiles/fnlceprod_p8dmgr01.zip \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password itso13sj
```

Example 8-23 shows a script for backing up the Content Engine application server profile.

Example 8-23 Application server profile backup script

```
#!/bin/ksh
#
# Script to backup the WebSphere profile p8AppSrv01 on fnlceprod
#
# Script name: backup_p8AppSrv01.sh
#
# This script should be run as the WAS owner (root).
# Stop WebSphere using the stopCEall.sh script prior to backing up the profile.
#
rm /backups/profiles/fnlceprod_p8AppSrv01.zip
echo "Backing up profile p8AppSrv01 . . ."
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh \
-backupProfile \
-profileName p8AppSrv01 \
-backupFile /backups/profiles/fnlceprod_p8AppSrv01.zip \
-username p8AdminUser \
-password itso13sj
```

8.6 Restore procedure for FileNet P8

It is important to remember that you must restore data for all FileNet P8 components from a particular point in time to maintain data consistency. For example, if you restore the database files on your DB2 server, you must also restore your file storage area files from the same backup. Even if there was no loss of file storage area data, you must still perform the restore operation to ensure the object store metadata in the DB2 databases is consistent with the object store files in the file storage areas.

In the restore scenario that follows, assume the root volume group (rootvg) on each server has been restored from a mksysb backup. This section will focus on the steps required to restore the data volume group from a Tivoli Storage Manager file level backup.

8.6.1 Re-creating volumes and file system configuration

If necessary, use your operating system administrative tools (such as **smit** on AIX) to re-create any volume manager objects that are missing. To assist in this task, see the output from your system documentation script described in the previous section. Example 8-24 shows the portion of the system documentation output that pertains to the data volume group (datavg) on the fnlcseprod server.

Example 8-24 System documentation for datavg on fnlcseprod

```
datavg
VOLUME GROUP:
                                       VG IDENTIFIER: 00c7cd9e00004c0000001248796b51f
                                     PP SIZE:
VG STATE:
                 active
                                                     64 megabyte(s)
                 read/write
                                      TOTAL PPs:
VG PERMISSION:
                                                     191 (12224 megabytes)
                                      FREE PPs: 0 (0 megabytes)
MAX LVs:
                                      USED PPs: 191 (12224 megabytes)
QUORUM: 2 (Enabled)
LVs:
                 3
OPEN LVs:
                 3
TOTAL PVs:
                                       VG DESCRIPTORS: 2
                 1
STALE PVs:
                 0
                                       STALE PPs: 0
ACTIVE PVs:
                 1
                                       AUTO ON:
                                                     yes
MAX PPs per VG:
               32512
MAX PPs per PV:
               1016
                                       MAX PVs:
                                                     32
LTG size (Dynamic): 256 kilobyte(s)
                                       AUTO SYNC:
HOT SPARE:
                                       BB POLICY:
                                                     relocatable
               no
datavg:
LV NAME
                           LPs
                                         PVs LV STATE
                                                          MOUNT POINT
                                       1 open/syncd
k2datalv
                 ifs2
                           158
                                  158
                                                         /k2Collections
k2veritylv
                .jfs2
                           32
                                        1 open/syncd
                                                          /k2verity
log1v00
                 jfs2log 1
                                         1 open/syncd
```

Using this information from the Content Search Engine as an example, use the following steps to re-create the data volume group and file systems:

- Create a volume group named datavg, using a physical partition size (PP SIZE) of 64 MB.
- 2. Create a logical volume named k2datalv. Set the logical volume type to jfs2, and assign 158 physical partitions to the volume.
- 3. Create a logical volume named k2veritylv. Set the logical volume type to jfs2, and assign 32 physical partitions.
- 4. Create an enhanced journaled file system (jfs2) with mount point /k2Collections on the previously defined logical volume k2datalv.
- 5. Create an enhanced journaled file system (jfs2) with mount point /k2verity on the previously defined logical volume k2veritylv.
- 6. Mount the /k2Collections and /k2verity file systems.

8.6.2 Restoring data files using Tivoli Storage Manager

After re-creating your file systems, you are ready to restore your data files using Tivoli Storage Manager client. To restore the DB2 database instance on the DB2 server, fnldb2prod, perform the following steps:

 Log in to the DB2 database server as the root user. Verify that the Tivoli Storage Manager daemons (dsmcad and tsmjbbd) are running. Make sure that your DISPLAY variable has been exported to your workstation. Change directory to the location of the Tivoli Storage Manager binaries and launch the Tivoli Storage Manager client application (dsmj):

```
cd /usr/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin64
./dsmj
```

The Tivoli Storage Manager interface is as shown Figure 8-11.

2. Click the link for **Restore** (Restores saved files from server storage).

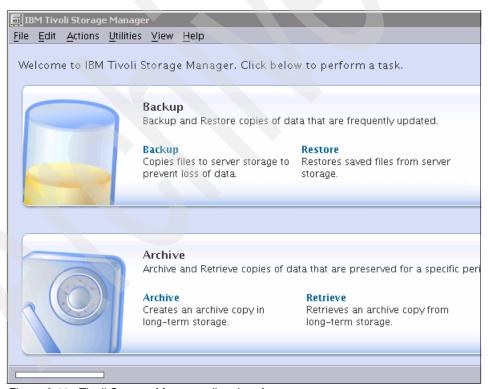


Figure 8-11 Tivoli Storage Manager client interface

3. Browse to the File Level node and select the files you want to restore. See Figure 8-12.

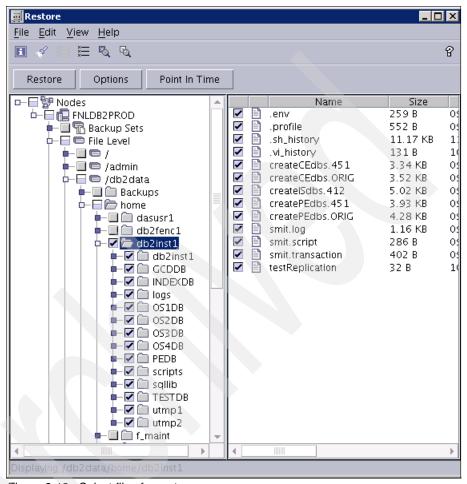


Figure 8-12 Select files for restore

- 4. After you select the files to restore, click **Restore**.
- 5. Monitor the progress in the Task List window, shown in Figure 8-13 on page 220.

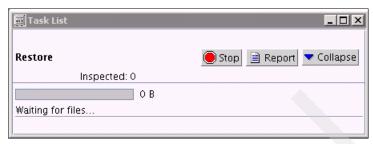


Figure 8-13 Restore task list

When restoration is complete, Tivoli Storage Manager displays a status report. See Figure 8-14.

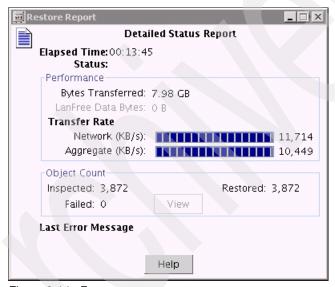


Figure 8-14 Restore status report

- 6. Close the status report window and exit the Tivoli Storage Manager client application.
- 7. Repeat the restore process on all FileNet P8 servers as required to maintain data consistency.

8.6.3 Restoring Image Services raw data

Image Services stores data for the MKF databases and cache in raw data partitions. As noted in "Backing up Image Services raw data" on page 203, the

Image Services EBR backup utility is used to back up raw data to file. When restoring Image Services, you also use the EBR utility to restore data from the EBR backup file to the raw partitions.

Prior to running the EBR restore, you must re-create and initialize the raw volumes that will be used to store the data. For this task, you must know the names and sizes of the logical volumes. Example 8-25 shows the information for the data volume group (datavg), created by our system documentation script on the Image Services server (fnlisprod).

Example 8-25 System documentation for datavg on Image Services server

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datavg							

VOLUME GROUP:	datavg			VG IDE	NTIFIER:		
00c7cd9e00004c00000	00124877970	97					
VG STATE:	active			PP SIZ			megabyte(s)
VG PERMISSION:	read/write			TOTAL	PPs:	398	(50944
megabytes)							
MAX LVs:	256			FREE P	Ps:	67 (8576
megabytes)							
LVs:	10			USED P	Ps:	331	(42368
megabytes)							
OPEN LVs:	9			QUORUM			nabled)
TOTAL PVs:	2				CRIPTORS:		
STALE PVs:	0			STALE		0	
ACTIVE PVs:	2			AUTO 0	N:	yes	
MAX PPs per VG:	32512			MAY DV		20	
MAX PPs per PV:	1016	+-(-)		MAX PV		32	
LTG size (Dynamic): HOT SPARE:		te(s)		AUTO S BB POL		no nolo	catable
	no			DD PUL	101:	rero	catable
datavg: LV NAME	TYPE	LPs	PPs	PVs	LV STATE		MOUNT POINT
fnswlocly	jfs2	24	24	1	open/syn		/fnsw/local
msarlv	jfs2	240	240	2	open/syn		/msar
fn sec db0	jfs	1	1	1	open/syn		N/A
fn sec r10	jfs	1	1	1	open/syn		N/A
fn cache0	jfs	48	48	1	closed/s		N/A
fn_perm_db0	jfs	5	5	1	open/syn	-	N/A
fn perm r10	jfs	2	2	1	open/syn		N/A
fn trans db0	jfs	5	5	1	open/syn		N/A
fn trans rl0	jfs	4	4	1	open/syn		N/A
loglv00	jfs2log	1	1	1	open/syn		N/A

The following procedure restores the Permanent and Security databases from the EBR backup file. The Transient database and cache are only re-initialized, not restored.

- 1. If necessary, create the datavg volume group, using a physical partition size (PP SIZE) of 128 MB.
- 2. Create the logical volumes based on the information from the system documentation shown in Example 8-25 on page 221. For this scenario, Table 8-9 lists the logical volumes you create in datavg.

Table 8-9 Logical volume parameters for raw data partitions

LV NAME	ТҮРЕ	PPs
fn_sec_db0	jfs	1
fn_sec_rl0	jfs	1
fn_cache0	jfs	48
fn_perm_db0	jfs	5
fn_perm_rl0	jfs	2
fn_trans_db0	jfs	5
fn_trans_rl0	jfs	4

3. Change ownership on the logical volumes to the FileNet system user and group, for example:

```
cd /dev
chown fnsw:fnusr fn_*
chown fnsw:fnusr rfn_*
```

Your file permissions are similar to those in Example 8-26.

Example 8-26 File permissions for raw data logical volumes

fnlisprod(root)/dev> ls -al *fn_*					
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 5 Oct 24 13:06 fn_cache0		
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 6 Oct 24 13:06 fn_perm_db0		
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 7 Oct 24 13:07 fn_perm_rl0		
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 3 Oct 24 13:05 fn_sec_db0		
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 4 Oct 24 13:05 fn_sec_rl0		
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 8 Oct 24 13:08 fn_trans_db0		
brw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 9 Oct 24 13:08 fn_trans_rl0		
crw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 5 Oct 24 13:06 rfn_cache0		
crw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 6 Oct 24 13:06 rfn_perm_db0		
crw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 7 Oct 24 13:07 rfn_perm_rl0		
crw-rw	1 fnsw	fnusr	36, 3 Oct 24 13:05 rfn_sec_db0		

4. Create the links to the raw data partitions. Log in as the FileNet software user, for example user fnsw. Change to the /fnsw/dev/1 directory:

```
cd /fnsw/dev/1
```

5. Run the following link commands. (Note, these link commands can be entered into a script.)

```
In -s /dev/rfn_cache0 cache0
In -s /dev/rfn_perm_db0 permanent_db0
In -s /dev/rfn_perm_rl0 permanent_rl0
In -s /dev/rfn_trans_db0 transient_db0
In -s /dev/rfn_trans_rl0 transient_rl0
In -s /dev/rfn_sec_db0 sec_db0
In -s /dev/rfn sec_rl0 sec_rl0
```

File permissions for the links in the /fnsw/dev/1 directory are similar to those in Example 8-27.

Example 8-27 File permissions for /fnsw/dev/1 links

6. Verify that you are logged in as user fnsw and initialize the MKF databases:

```
MKF_ddl /fnsw/local/sd/1/transient.ddl -initialize
MKF_ddl /fnsw/local/sd/1/permanent.ddl -initialize
MKF_ddl /fnsw/local/sd/1/sec.ddl -initialize
```

7. Initialize cache by using the following command:

```
fn_util inittrans
```

8. Restore the Permanent and Security databases from the EBR backup files. To run the restore operation, first put the FileNet software in backup mode by using the following command:

```
initfnsw -y backup
```

Next, issue the EBR command, referencing the name of your restore script, for example:

EBR @/EBRdata/scripts/perm sec res.ebr

A copy of the EBR restore script is shown in Example 8-28.

Example 8-28 EBR restore script for Permanent and Security databases

```
EBR script (format level = 2;);
RESTORE GLOBAL PARAMETERS
    volume group = VG1;
                                   -- tape volume group name
END RESTORE GLOBAL PARAMETERS
DATASETS
    sec: MKF
     location = "fnlisv:FileNet"; -- hostname of Security database
     base_data_file = "/fnsw/dev/1/sec_db0";
    end MKF
    perm: MKF
     location = "fnlisv:FileNet"; -- hostname of Permanent database
     base data file = "/fnsw/dev/1/permanent db0";
    end MKF
END_DATASETS
DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS
 perm1 : disk file
    location = "fnlisv:FileNet";
    filename = "/EBRdata/Backups/perm1-ebr.dat";
 end disk file
 perm2 : disk_file
    location = "fnlisv:FileNet";
    filename = "/EBRdata/Backups/perm2-ebr.dat";
 end disk file
 sec : disk file
    location = "fnlisv:FileNet";
    filename = "/EBRdata/Backups/sec-ebr.dat";
 end disk file
END DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS
RESTORE OPTIONS
    sec: restore options
```

```
full restore;
        interval restore follows = false;
    end_restore_options
    perm: restore options
        full restore;
        interval restore follows = false;
    end restore options
END RESTORE OPTIONS
THREADS
  num threads = 3;
  thread 1
    device = perm1;
                                         - tape serial number
    volume serial = R1;
    datasets
        perm (part 1 of 2);
  end thread
   thread 2
     device = perm2;
     volume serial = R2;
                                            tape serial number
     datasets
        perm (part 2 of 2);
   end thread
   thread 3
     device = sec;
     volume serial = R3;
     datasets
        sec;
   end_thread
END THREADS
```

9. If your restore operation included restoring the Permanent database, you may have to update the scalar numbers table (SNT) in the Permanent database so that it is synchronized with the checkpoint file, snt.chkpt, located in the /fnsw/local/sd directory. To update this table, run the following command:

```
/fnsw/bin/SNT_update
```

For full details about how to run the **SNT_update** tool, see the *Image Services System Tools Reference Manual*, CG31-5612.

8.6.4 Testing and validating the system

After restoring the data, start the FileNet P8 application in the correct sequence. Review log files for each component carefully to make sure the system is running in a stable state.

Perform consistency checks of your data to verify that the system is in a stable and consistent state. See the guidelines documented in Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263 for information about running consistency checks on your restored data.

9

Disaster recovery setup and configuration

This chapter describes the setup and configuration of a standby IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 system for disaster recovery. The procedures provided in this chapter outline the steps to configure the lab environment for the disaster recovery (DR) case study described in 7.1.2, "Case study II: Recovery using standby disaster recovery site" on page 146.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Planning considerations for a DR site
- Overview of FileNet P8 lab environment for DR
- Software configuration
- Verifying the DR installation
- Enabling PROD to DR replication
- Activating the DR site
- ► Maintaining the DR site

9.1 Planning considerations for a DR site

Review the following considerations when you prepare to build a DR environment:

► Hardware configuration

The hardware used for the DR site does not have to match the exact make and model of that used for PROD, but must support the same versions of the operating system software. In addition, you must ensure that the storage devices used for SAN/NAS replication is compatible. The hardware configuration for the PROD site used in our case study is described in Figure 7-1 on page 148. The hardware configuration for the DR site is shown in Figure 9-1 on page 230.

Software configuration

The DR system must be configured with identical versions of software as that used in the PROD environment. If patches or hotfixes are applied to the PROD site, they must be applied to the DR system also. A good practice is to run the installers for each of the FileNet P8 component on the DR servers. Steps for installing and configuring the software for the DR site is covered in 9.3.4, "Software configuration for DR" on page 244.

Network configuration

During the initial installation and configuration of the Content Engine and the Process Engine for the DR site, you need access to the PROD databases. Therefore, the network must be configured to allow the DR servers to connect to the PROD database server. This configuration is only required during the initial setup of the DR servers so that GCD and Process Engine databases are properly updated with DR servers information.

Name resolution

The PROD environment uses virtual host names where possible. Use the same virtual host names when installing and configuring the DR site. See 7.2.3, "DNS and host table entries" on page 150 for more information about managing DNS or /etc/hosts entries in the PROD and DR environments. By using virtual host names in the configuration, minimal intervention is required to bring up the DR site.

Storage replication

The storage configuration for the PROD and DR sites is described in 7.2.2, "Storage configuration" on page 149. For our case study, we use block-level replication of the LUNs, configured on the PROD storage device to the matching LUNs on the DR storage device. Be sure that the LUNs on the DR storage device are the same size as the corresponding LUNs in the PROD environment. A good practice is to keep the LUN sizes in the range of

20 - 50 GBs. For example, if you want to replicate a 100 GB file system, it is more efficient to create five 20 GB LUNs and replicate them, rather than a single 100 GB LUN.

File systems and mount points

Build your DR file systems using the same logical mount points as used in PROD. For example, if the file storage area location on PROD is /p8data/FileStores, be sure that the same directory path is available on the DR site.

Users and groups

To avoid permission issues, make sure the UNIX users and groups in DR have the same user ID (uid) and group ID (gid) as those found in PROD. Also, if you replicate LDAP users and groups from the PROD directory services to DR, make sure that the GUID for those accounts are properly replicated on the DR site.

9.2 Overview of FileNet P8 lab environment for DR

The hardware configuration for PROD is described in Chapter 7, "Case study description and system setup" on page 145.

The hardware configuration for the DR system is described in the remaining sections of this chapter.

9.2.1 Disaster recovery lab environment hardware

The hardware environment for the FileNet P8 DR environment is similar to that used in the PROD environment (see Figure 7-1 on page 148.) The DR system, however, uses two IBM Model 9117-MMA POWER6® servers, as shown in Figure 9-1 on page 230.

The LPARs for the DR system are distributed as follows:

- Server #1: IBM Model 9117-MMA POWER6
 - Virtual I/O (VIO) server
 - Tivoli Directory Service server
 - DB2 Database (DB2) server
 - Process Engine (PE) server
 - Content Engine (CE) server

- ► Server #2: IBM Model 9117-MMA POWER6
 - Virtual I/O (VIO) server
 - Image Services (IS) server
 - Workplace XT (XT) server
 - Content Search Engine server
 - Tivoli Storage Manager server

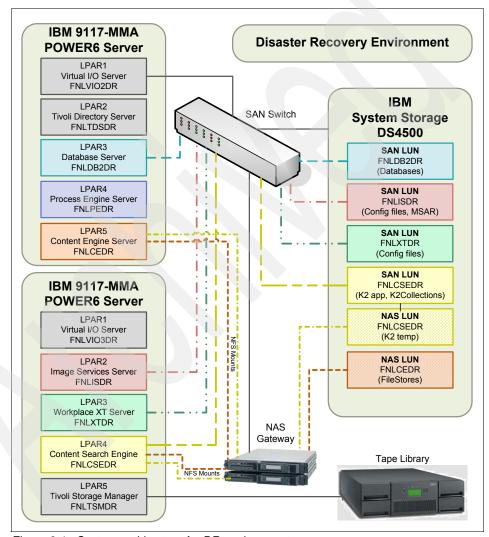


Figure 9-1 System architecture for DR environment

Configure the LPARs for the DR system with host names that use the suffix "DR", such as FNLCEDR.

Although the PROD system uses an IBM System Storage DS4800 device for storage, the DR site uses an IBM System Storage DS4500. The LUN assignments for the DR site are the same type (SAN or NAS) and size as those defined for the PROD environment.

Storage for the DR system is provided by an IBM System Storage DS4500 device. For our system, LUNs for SAN storage on the DS4500 are assigned to the LPARs as show in Table 9-1.

Table 9-1 DR SAN LUN assignments for the DS4500

LPAR assignment	Type of data on SAN storage
FNLDB2DR	DB2 database instance files
FNLISDR	Image Services configuration files; MSAR files
FNLXTDR	Workplace XT configuration files
FNLCSEDR	Autonomy K2 ^a application files; K2 collections (indexes)

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For our DR environment, the NAS LUNs are located on the DS4500, and are managed by an IBM System Storage N-Series N5200 Gateway. Similar to PROD, file systems on NAS are presented to the LPARs though NFS mounts. The NAS LUN assignments for the DR system are shown in Table 9-2.

Table 9-2 DR NAS LUN assignments for the DS4800

LPAR assignments (through NFS mounts)	Type of data on NAS		
FNLCSEDR	K2 temporary files		
FNLCEDR	File storage area files		

9.2.2 Storage configuration for DR

For the purpose of the installation you must create the volume groups, logical volumes, and file system mount points on the DR servers to match those on the PROD environment. For the disaster recovery case study covered in this book, we use identical names for the volume groups, logical volumes and mount points on the DR and PROD systems.

Each DR LPAR must have a root volume group (rootvg) consisting of local disks for the operating system and application binary files. Make the DR root volume groups similar in size to those configured for PROD.

Create the data volume group (datavg) on the DR LPARs, using the LUNs defined for SAN on the DS4500 system storage. Because the data stored on the DS4500 in the DR environment is a replica of the PROD data (see Figure 7-2 on page 150,) the LUNs defined on the DS4500 in DR must be the same size as those defined on the DS4800 in PROD.

Create the NFS mounts for the NAS file systems residing on the DR storage (DS4500), using the same options and security configured in the PROD environment. Make sure the DR NFS mounts point to the replicas of the PROD data, not to the actual data on PROD.

Note: Do not turn on global mirroring/replication from the PROD system to the DR system until after the DR installation is complete. For the purpose of the installation, the mount points must be available on the DR servers, but contain no data.

9.2.3 DNS and host table setup

Edit the /etc/hosts file on the DR servers to resolve the virtual host names to the DR server host names as shown in Figure 9-2.

	192.168.100.216	fnldb2prod		
	192.168.100.217	fnltdsprod		
	192.168.100.218	fnlceprod		
	192.168.100.219	fnlisprod		
	192.168.100.220	fnlcseprod		
4	192.168.100.221	fnlxtprod		
	192.168.100.222	fnlpeprod		
	192.168.100.223	fnltsmprod		
	10.0.200.216	fnldb2dr	fn1db2v	
	10.0.200.217	fnltdsdr	fnltdsv	
V	10.0.200.218	fnlcedr	fnlcev	
	10.0.200.219	fnlisdr	fnlisv	fnlisv-filenet-nch-server
	10.0.200.220	fnlcsedr	fnlcsev	
	10.0.200.221	fnlxtdr	fnlxtv	
	10.0.200.222	fnlpedr	fnlpev	
	10.0.200.223	fnltsmdr	fnltsmv	

Figure 9-2 Sample /etc/hosts file for the DR environment

9.2.4 User and group configuration for DR

For UNIX environments, create the operating system users and groups on the DR server similar to the existing users and groups on the PROD environment. Be careful to match user IDs and group IDs on the two systems. Figure 9-3 compares the ID values for the UNIX user p8OSusr on the PROD Content Engine with that on the DR Content Engine. Note that the user ID (2001) and group ID (2000) is the same on both Content Engine servers.

```
p80Susr@fnlceprod /home/p80Susr > id p80Susr
uid=2001(p80Susr) gid=2000(p80Sgrp) groups=1(staff)
p80Susr@fnlcedr /home/p80Susr > id p80Susr
uid=2001(p80Susr) gid=2000(p80Sgrp) groups=1(staff)
```

Figure 9-3 User and group ID values for user p8OSusr

9.3 Software configuration

The versions of software for both the PROD and DR systems are as follows:

- ► IBM AIX v6.1 TL2 64-bit
- ▶ IBM Tivoli Directory Services v6.1
- IBM Tivoli Storage Manager Server v6.1 64-bit
- IBM Tivoli Storage Manager Client v6.1 64-bit
- ► IBM DB2 Server v9.7 64-bit
- IBM WebSphere Application Server v7.0.0.5 64-bit Network Deployment
- ▶ IBM FileNet Content Engine v4.5.1
- IBM FileNet Process Engine v4.5.1
- IBM FileNet Workplace XT v1.1.4.1
- IBM FileNet Content Search Engine v4.5.1
- IBM FileNet Image Services v4.1.2.4
- ► IBM FileNet High Performance Image Import v4.1.2

In this section, we present high-level information and guidelines for configuring FileNet P8 software on DR systems that use data replication from a primary PROD site.

9.3.1 DB2 configuration for DR

Install and configure DB2 in a manner similar to the PROD environment. Place the binary files in a directory that belongs to the root volume group file system, for example:

/opt/IBM/db2/V9.7

Create a file system in the data volume group on the SAN device to store the DR database instance files. Use the same name for the mount point, for example/db2data, as that used for the PROD environment. Create the DR DB2 database instance, using the same instance name, instance user/owner and instance directory structure as the existing PROD instance.

Configure the DR database server to use the same port numbers for the FileNet P8 instance as that used in the PROD environment. To determine the DB2 service names used by the PROD instance, check the /etc/services file on the PROD DB2 server. For example, to see the ports defined for the instance db2inst1 on PROD, run the following command:

```
cat /etc/services | grep db2inst1
```

Output is similar to that shown Figure 9-4.

```
db2c_db2inst1 50000/tcp
DB2_db2inst1 60000/tcp
DB2_db2inst1_1 60001/tcp
DB2_db2inst1_2 60002/tcp
DB2_db2inst1_END 60003/tcp
```

Figure 9-4 DB2 service names

Run the same command on the DR DB2 server and verify that the service names and port numbers for the database instance are the same on both environments. If not, edit the /etc/services file on DR so that the service names and port numbers match the values on PROD.

As was the case in the PROD environment, DB2 uses the actual server host name (fnldb2dr) as the system name when the database instance is first created.

To change the DB2 system name from fnldb2dr to fnldb2v, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the DB2 server as the instance owner, for example db2inst1.
- 2. List the node directory to view the current system name:

db2 list admin node directory show detail Output is similar to the output in Figure 9-5.

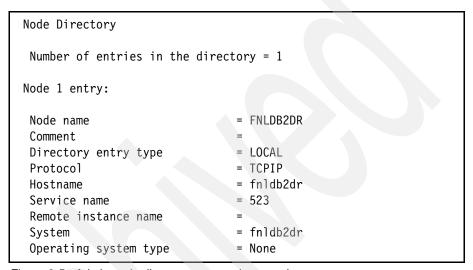


Figure 9-5 Admin node directory output prior to update

3. Stop the DB2 database by running the following command:

db2stop

4. Log in as the root user and add write permissions to the files in the /var/db2 directory:

chmod 666 /var/db2/*

5. Change directory to the DB2 adm directory and run the **db2set** command to set the DB2 system name to the virtual server name:

```
cd /opt/IBM/db2/V9.7/adm
./db2set -g DB2SYSTEM=fnldb2v
```

6. Locate the db2nodes.cfg file, usually in <db2_instance_home_dir>/sqllib on UNIX and Linux. For example, on our system, the file is located at:

```
/db2data/home/db2inst1/sqllib/db2nodes.cfg
```

Edit the db2nodes.cfg file and change the servername from fnldb2dr to fnldb2v.

7. Log off as the root user and log back in as the instance owner, for example db2inst1. Catalog the admin node using the virtual host name. The syntax for the catalog command is as follows:

db2 catalog admin tcpip node <new hostname> remote <new hostname> system <new hostname>

An example of the command is as follows:

db2 catalog admin tcpip node fnldb2v remote fnldb2v system fnldb2v

8. Update the DB2SYSTEM and SMTP_SERVER values using the following commands:

db2 update admin cfg using DB2SYSTEM fnldb2v db2 update admin cfg using SMTP_SERVER fnldb2v

9. Restart the DB2 instance as follows:

db2start

10. List the node directory again to verify your changes.

db2 list admin node directory show detail

The output is similar to Figure 9-6.

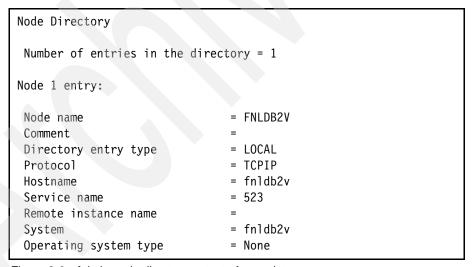


Figure 9-6 Admin node directory output after update

9.3.2 DB2 client configuration for DR

Configure the DB2 client software on the Process Engine and Image Services servers to access the database server using the virtual host name (FNLDB2V).

To set up the DB2 client on the Process Engine server, perform the following steps:

 Log in to the DR Process Engine server as the root user. Copy the DB2 service names entries from the /etc/services file on the DB2 server to the /etc/services file on the local DB2 client server. Entries look similar to Figure 9-7.

```
db2c_db2inst1 50000/tcp
DB2_db2inst1 60000/tcp
DB2_db2inst1_1 60001/tcp
DB2_db2inst1_2 60002/tcp
DB2_db2inst1_END 60003/tcp
```

Figure 9-7 /etc/services DB2 entries for Process Engine client server

 Reboot the DR Process Engine server and log in as the instance owner user (db2inst1). Change directory to the instance owner's sqllib directory (/home/db2inst1/sqllib) and source the db2profile as follows:

```
cd /home/db2inst1/sqllib
```

- . ./db2profile
- Use the db2 catalog command to create an entry in the node directory. The syntax for this command is as follows:

```
db2 catalog tcpip node node_name remote hostname server service_name
```

The <code>node_name</code> is the name you want to assign the node, <code>hostname</code> is the name of the remote DB2 server, and <code>service_name</code> is the value of the <code>/etc/services</code> entry on the remote DB2 server for the instance. In our case, we use the virtual host name for the DB2 server. The commands are as follows:

db2

- => catalog tcpip node fnldb2v remote fnldb2v server db2c_db2inst1
 => terminate
- 4. Verify the results by issuing the following commands on the DR Process Engine server:

```
db2
=> LIST NODE DIRECTORY show detail
```

The output is similar to Figure 9-8.

```
Node Directory
Number of entries in the directory = 1
Node 1 entry:
 Node name
                                = FNLDB2V
 Comment
 Directory entry type
                                = LOCAL
                                = TCPIP
 Protocol
 Hostname
                                = fnldb2v
 Service name
                                = db2c db2inst1
 Remote instance name
 System
 Operating system type
                                = None
```

Figure 9-8 Node directory listing on DR Process Engine server

5. Create the Process Engine DB2 database alias. The syntax for this command is as follows:

db2 catalog database database_name as database_alias at node node_name

The database_name is the name of database on the remote DB2 server,
database_alias is the name you want to reference the database as on the
client, and node name is the name of the node you created in the previous

step.

For our case study, where the name of the Process Engine database is PEDB, the command is:

db2
=> catalog database PEDB as PEDB at node FNLDB2V

6. Verify the results by issuing the following commands on the DR Process Engine server:

db2
=> LIST DATABASE DIRECTORY show detail

The output is similar to Figure 9-9.

```
System Database Directory
Number of entries in the directory = 1
Database 1 entry:
                                    = PEDB
Database alias
 Database name
                                    = PEDB
 Node name
                                    = FNLDB2V
 Database release level
                                    = d.00
 Comment
 Directory entry type
                                    = Remote
Authentication
                                    = SERVER
 Catalog database partition number = -1
Alternate server hostname
 Alternate server port number
```

Figure 9-9 Database directory listing on DR Process Engine server

- 7. Repeat steps 1 on page 237 4 on page 237 to configure the DB2 client on the DR Image Services server (FNLISDR).
- 8. To catalog the Image Services database (INDEXDB), use the following commands:

```
db2
=> catalog database INDEXDB as INDEXDB at node FNLDB2V
```

9. Verify the results by issuing the following commands on the DR Image Services server:

```
db2
=> LIST DATABASE DIRECTORY show detail
```

The output is similar to Figure 9-10.

```
System Database Directory
 Number of entries in the directory = 1
Database 1 entry:
 Database alias
                                    = INDEXDB
                                    = INDEXDB
 Database name
 Node name
                                     = FNLDB2V
 Database release level
                                     = d.00
 Comment
Directory entry type
                                    = Remote
 Authentication
                                    = SERVER
 Catalog database partition number = -1
 Alternate server hostname
 Alternate server port number
```

Figure 9-10 Database directory listing on DR Image Services server

9.3.3 WebSphere configuration for DR

The PROD and DR application servers reside in separate WebSphere cells. The steps to create the cell for the PROD environment are listed in 7.3.2, "WebSphere configuration" on page 155.

The cell topology for the DR configuration, shown in Figure 9-11 on page 241, is similar to that used for the PROD environment. The deployment manager (dmgr) for the cell is located on the Content Engine server (FNLCEDR), with a managed node (fnlcedrNode01) and application server (CEserver01) for the Content Engine application. A second managed node (fnlxtdrNode01) and application server (XTserver01) for the Workplace XT application is located on FNLXTDR.

```
□ p8Cell01
□ Nodes
□ p8CellManager01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
□ Servers
□ dmgr
□ fnlxtdrNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
□ Servers
□ XTserver01
□ nodeagent
□ fnlcedrNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
□ Servers
□ fnlcedrNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
□ Servers
□ nodeagent
□ CEserver01
```

Figure 9-11 WebSphere cell topology for DR system

As a best practice, configure the PROD and DR WebSphere environments to use identical port numbers. This practice simplifies the failover process if the port numbers in the two environments match.

Creating the WebSphere topology for the DR system

To create the WebSphere topology for the DR system, perform the following steps:

 Log in to the FNLCEDR server as the user that installed the WebSphere application, in our case, the root user. Create the deployment manager on the FNLCEDR server using the manageprofile.sh command shown in Figure 9-12.

```
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh -create \
-templatePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profileTemplates/cell/dmgr \
-nodeProfilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01 \
-profileName p8dmgr01 \
-profilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01 \
-hostName fnlcedr.fn.ibm.com \
-nodeName p8CellManager01 \
-cellName p8CellO1 \
-appServerNodeName fnlcedrNode01 \
-enableAdminSecurity true \
-adminUserName wasadmin \
-adminPassword WASpassword
```

Figure 9-12 Create cell and deployment manager node for the DR environment

2. Create the managed node for the Content Engine application on the FNLCEDR server using the manageprofile.sh command shown in Figure 9-13 on page 242.

```
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh -create \
-templatePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profileTemplates/cell/default
-dmgrProfilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01 \
-portsFile \
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/properties/portdef.props \
-nodePortsFile \
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/properties/nodeportdef.pro
ps \
-profileName p8AppSrv01 \
-profilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01 \
-hostName fnlcedr.fn.ibm.com \
-nodeName p8CellManager01 \
-cellName p8Cell01 \
-appServerNodeName fnlcedrNode01 \
-enableAdminSecurity true \
-adminUserName wasadmin \
-adminPassword WASpassword
```

Figure 9-13 Create the managed node for Content Engine on the DR environment

3. Run the command shown in Figure 9-14 on the FNLXTDR server to create the managed node for the Workplace XT application.

```
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/bin/manageprofiles.sh -create \
-templatePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profileTemplates/managed \
-profileName p8AppSrv01 \
-profilePath /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01 \
-hostName fnlxtdr.fn.ibm.com \
-nodeName fnlxtdrNode01 \
-cellName fnlxtdrNode01Cell01 \
-dmgrHost fnlcedr.fn.ibm.com \
-dmgrPort 8879 \
-dmgrAdminUserName wasadmin \
-dmgrAdminPassword WASpassword
```

Figure 9-14 Create the managed node for Workplace XT on the DR environment

4. Start the deployment manager and node agent on FNLCEDR.

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8dmgr01/bin/startManager.sh
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh

5. Start the node agent on FNLXTDR.

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh

- 6. From your browser, log in to the WebSphere Integrated Solutions Console using the adminUserName and adminPassword values specified in the manageprofiles.sh command (see Figure 9-12 on page 241.) The URL for the WebSphere console is similar to http://<hostname>:9060/ibm/console.
- 7. Browse to **Servers** → **New server** and add a new server for the Content Engine application with values that are listed in Table 9-3.

Table 9-3 Properties for the CEserver01 application server

Property	Value
Server type	WebSphere application server
Node	fnlcedrNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
Server name	CEserver01
Server template	default
Server specific properties	Generate Unique Ports (checked)

8. Add a server for the Workplace XT application with values that are listed in Table 9-4.

Table 9-4 Properties for the XTserver01 application server

Property	Value
Server type	WebSphere application server
Node	fnlxtdrNode01 (ND 7.0.0.5)
Server name	XTserver01
Server template	default
Server specific properties	Generate Unique Ports (checked)

9. Start the CEserver01 application server on FNLCEDR using the following command (note, all on one line):

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh
CEserver01

10. Start the XTserver01 application server on FNLXTDR using the following command (note, all on one line):

/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh
XTserver01

Granting permissions

After you have completed the WebSphere configuration, you must grant the operating system user who starts and stops the FileNet P8 applications the permissions to the profile directories. In our case, we use the UNIX user account p8OSusr, a member of the UNIX group p8OSgrp, for this purpose.

To enable the p8OSusr account to start and stop the applications, perform the following steps:

- 1. Stop the XTserver01 and node agent on FNLXTDR.
- 2. Stop the CEserver01, node agent and deployment manager on FNLCEDR.
- Change ownership of the profile directories to allow the operating system user p8OSusr access. For example, on FNLCEDR, execute the following commands:

```
cd /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles
chown -Rf p80Susr:p80Sgrp p8dmgr01
chown -Rf p80Susr:p80Sgrp p8AppSrv01
On FNLXTDR, execute the following commands:
```

```
cd /opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles
chown -Rf p80Susr:p80Sgrp p8AppSrv01
```

- 4. Log in to the FNLCEDR server as p8OSusr and start the deployment manager, node agent and CEserver01.
- Log in to the FNLXTDR server as p8OSusr and start the node agent and XTserver01.

9.3.4 Software configuration for DR

Figure 9-15 on page 245 shows the software components installed on each server in our DR configuration. This software configuration is identical to that used for PROD.

During the installation of the FileNet P8 software for the DR environment, use the virtual server names where appropriate. The sections that follow list guidelines to consider when installing a disaster recovery environment that uses data replicated from the PROD environment.



Figure 9-15 Software configuration for the DR environment

Content Engine installation

When configuring a standby Content Engine for disaster recovery, the DR Content Engine must belong to the same FileNet P8 domain as the PROD Content Engine. To accomplish this task, you must access the PROD global configuration database (GCD) and add the DR Content Engine server to the PROD FileNet P8 domain. Therefore, for the purpose of the initial installation and setup of the DR environment, you must configure the DR Content Engine server (FNLCEDR) to resolve the virtual DB2 database server name (FNLDB2V) to the PROD DB2 server (FNLDB2PROD).

After the DR Content Engine installation and configuration is complete, you can point the DR Content Engine server back to DR DB2 server.

To install and configure the Content Engine for the DR environment, perform the following steps:

- 1. Install Content Engine following the standard Content Engine installation procedure. During the DR Content Engine installation, specify the *virtual* host name for the following items:
 - FileNet P8 documentation address, for example: http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/ecm help
 - .NET API COM Compatibility Layer (CCL) server address, for example: http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40T0M
- 2. Install the Process Engine client and Content Search Engine client software on the DR Content Engine server (FNLCEDR).
- Edit either the local /etc/hosts file on the Content Engine server or the DNS tables so that the virtual host name of the database server (FNLDB2V) resolves to the PROD database server (FNLDB2PROD).

Note: Use the nslookup command to verify that the DR Content Engine server (FNLCEDR) resolves the DB2 virtual host name to the PROD DB2 server (FNLDB2PROD). Do not proceed with the DR Content Engine configuration if the nslookup command fails to return the proper value.

4. Create a new Configuration Manager Tool profile directory, such as DR1, on the DR Content Engine server:

```
cd /opt/IBM/FileNet/ContentEngine/tools/configure/profiles
mkdir DR1
chown p80Susr:p80Sgrp DR1
```

5. Copy all the files and subfolders from the PROD Content Engine profile PROD1, which is in the following directory:

```
/opt/IBM/FileNet/ContentEngine/tools/configure/profiles/PROD1
```

Paste them to the new profile directory on the DR Content Engine server (DR1).

Make sure you copy the bootstrapped EAR file from PROD to DR. By default, the bootstrapped EAR file is stored in the EAR directory under the profile directory, for example:

<CE_install_dir>/tools/configure/profiles/PROD1/ear/Engine-ws.ear

- 6. Using the Content Engine Configuration Manager Tool on the DR server, open the DR profile (DR1). Edit the Application Server Properties page and make any changes necessary to point the application to the DR WebSphere environment. Use the Content Engine server's virtual host name (fnlcev) for the application server host name. If necessary, change the application server cell name to match the name of the cell used in the DR environment. Note, in our lab environment, the cell name (p8Cell01) is the same in both the PROD and DR environments.
- 7. Using the Content Engine Configuration Manager Tool on the DR server, create the JDBC data sources for the GCD and any object store databases that currently existing in the PROD environment. The names of the JDBC XA and non-XA data sources on DR must be identical those used in PROD. For the database server name, use the virtual name for the DB2 server, for example FNLDB2V. Execute the Run Task command to create the DR JDBC data sources for the GCD and each objectstore. Log in to the DR WebSphere Administration Console and verify the JDBC connections to the database. Remember, at this stage in the procedure, the JDBC data sources must connect to the PROD database, not the DR.
- Execute the Configure Login Modules task. There are no parameters to configure for this step. Running this task creates the WebSphere JAAS login modules in the DR environment required to run the Content Engine application.
- Do not run the Configure Bootstrap Properties task. Because the DR environment is currently pointing to the PROD GCD, we use a copy of the bootstrapped EAR file from PROD for deployment.

Note: Starting with version 4.5.1, Content Engine automatically generates the Master Key for the GCD that is used to encrypt all persisted passwords. In previous releases, users would provide a phrase during Content Engine installation that would be used to generate the Master Key.

10. Configure security on the DR WebSphere application server to match the existing configuration of the PROD environment. This can be accomplished manually, by using the WebSphere Integrated Console, or by executing the Configure LDAP task in the Content Engine Configuration Manager tool on the DR Content Engine. Use the same parameters that were used for the PROD environment. Make sure the Directory service server host name parameter references the virtual host name of the directory services server, for example FNLTDSV.

11. Using the Content Engine Configuration Manager Tool on the DR server, edit the Deploy Application task parameters. For the bootstrapped EAR file parameter, specify the path to the copy of the EAR file you transferred from the PROD server earlier in this procedure.

Table 9-5 shows the configuration parameters for the Deploy Application task for the DR lab environment.

Table 9-5 Configuration Manager Deploy Application module

Property	Property value
Deployment type	Network Deployment
Bootstrapped EAR file	/opt/IBM/FileNet/ContentEngine/tools/configure /profiles/DR1/ear/Engine-ws.ear
Content Engine application name	FileNetEngine
Application server node	fnlcedrNode01
Application server name	CEserver01

Save your parameters and execute the Deploy Application task. When the deployment task is complete, log in to the WebSphere Integrated Solutions Console and start the FileNetEngine application. Review the SystemOut.log file to verify that the application startup was successful.

12. From your Enterprise Manager client workstation, configure a new connection to the DR Content Engine instance. For the Nickname field, use a name that references the DR environment, for example P8DR. For the server name, use the actual DR server name, not the virtual name.

Figure 9-16 shows the configuration parameters for our DR lab environment.

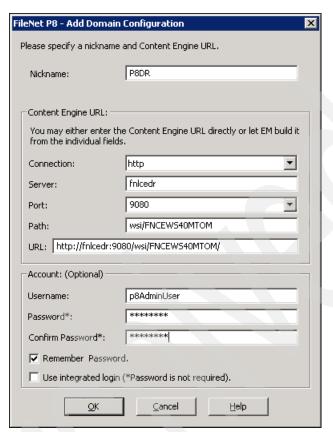


Figure 9-16 Configuration parameters for DR Enterprise Manager

You now see both the P8PROD and P8DR connections available on your client workstation, as shown in Figure 9-17 on page 250.

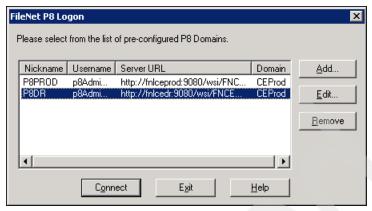


Figure 9-17 Enterprise Manager connections for PROD and DR

13.Log in to Enterprise Manager using the DR connection configured in the previous step. Browse to the Virtual Servers node as shown in Figure 9-18. An entry for a virtual server with the same name as the application server node (fnlcedrNode01) is displayed.

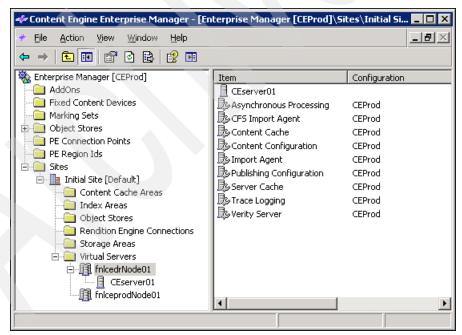


Figure 9-18 Virtual server for DR environment

Note: The virtual server fnlcedrNode01 and its associated application server instance CEserver01, are created in the GCD when you deploy the EAR file in the DR environment. Be aware, however, that they are not removed from the GCD when the Content Engine is undeployed from the application server. You must delete the virtual servers manually from Enterprise Manager to remove the entries from the GCD.

14. Because we are still pointing to the PROD copy of the GCD, the existing object stores are listed as shown in Figure 9-19.

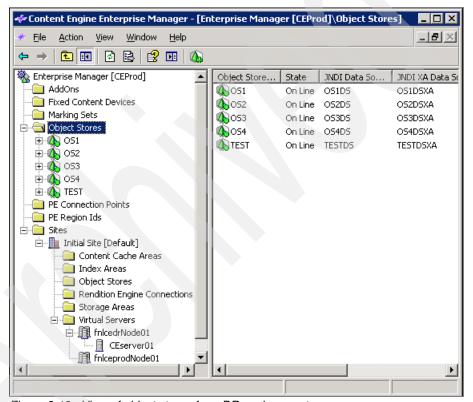


Figure 9-19 View of object stores from DR environment

Important: *Do not* attempt to add or retrieve any documents that reside on file storage areas. At this time, the file systems for the file storage areas have not been replicated to the DR environment and will result in an error. You can, however, retrieve documents that are stored in database storage areas, because the DR site is still connected to the PROD database server.

The PROD and DR Content Engine servers are part of the same FileNet P8 domain, and thus share a common GCD. Because directory service configurations for the FileNet P8 domain are stored in the GCD, you cannot specify separate LDAP configurations for the PROD and DR environments. Therefore, if you are replicating your directory services data, make sure you specify the virtual host name for the directory services server (such as FNLTDSV) when configuring the PROD environment. This allows the DR environment to resolve the virtual name to the appropriate host.

- 15. Reconfigure the Content Engine to point to the DR database and file storage areas using the following steps:
 - a. Shut down the WebSphere services for both the PROD and DR Content Engine applications.
 - b. Shut down the PROD Content Engine databases (GCD, Object Stores).
 - c. Replicate, copy or restore the PROD Content Engine databases (GCD and object stores) to the DR database server.

Note: To complete the Content Engine DR configuration and testing, only a copy of the databases is required at this time. This copy must include the GCD virtual server entries completed in the previous steps.

If preferred, you can delay activating full data replication/mirroring from PROD to DR until after all the DR FileNet P8 components have been configured and tested.

 Replicate, copy or restore the PROD file storage area directory to the DR system.

Note: For our case study, the PROD file storage area directory is located at the NFS mount point /p8data. For the DR system, you must create an identical NFS mount point. For the purpose of testing the DR environment, copy the files from the /p8data/filestores directory on PROD to the /p8data/filestores directory on DR. Full data replication/mirroring from PROD to DR can be enabled after all the DR FileNet P8 components have been configured and tested.

e. After the copies or restorations of the databases and file storage areas for the DR site is complete, restart the PROD database server and the PROD Content Engine application.

- f. Modify your local /etc/hosts file on the DR Content Engine server, (or the DNS tables if appropriate,) so that the virtual host name of the database server (FNLDB2V) resolves to the DR database server (FNLDB2DR). Verify using the nslookup command.
- g. Restart the DR databases for the GCD and object stores.
- h. Restart the WebSphere services for the Content Engine application on the DR Content Engine server.
- i. Using Content Engine Enterprise Manager, verify that you can add and retrieve documents from file storage areas on the DR Content Engine.

Content Search Engine installation

The Content Search Engine on DR is an exact replica of the Content Search Engine in the PROD environment. Although all binary files, configuration files, and index data on the newly installed DR Content Search Engine server are eventually replaced by a replica from the PROD environment, running the installer on both the PROD and DR servers is a good practice. This practice assures that the software is properly registered on each server and enables future upgrades or uninstallations to function properly.

Consider the following elements when you install Content Search Engine on DR:

- ► The default Content Search Engine installation directory is:
 - /opt/IBM/FileNet/verity.
 - This directory contains the Content Search Engine binaries and configuration files. This directory must be the same on both the PROD and DR sites, and must reference the virtual host name for all configuration parameters.
- ► Index data is stored in a collections directory, such as /k2Collections. This directory must be replicated from the PROD site to the DR site to avoid time consuming re-indexing of content whenever the DR site is activated.
- ► The Content Search Engine also uses a temporary file system, such as /p8data/k2_temp, to communicate between the Content Engine and the Content Search Engine. This directory is not required to be replicated from PROD to DR. In our lab environment, however, this directory is replicated because it is located on the same NFS mounted file system as our file storage areas (/p8data).

The high-level installation and configuration steps for setting up the DR Content Search Engine environment are as follows:

- Create the file systems and mount points on the DR Content Search Engine server to match those on the current PROD Content Search Engine server. Be sure to create the soft link from the /k2verity directory to the default install directory /opt/IBM/FileNet/verity. The procedure for creating the soft link is shown in Chapter 7, "Case study description and system setup" in "Content Search Engine installation" on page 162.
- Install the Content Search Engine software on DR using the same parameters specified during the PROD install. Using the same installation location as in the PROD environment is important. The values you use for other parameters during the installation does not matter because the install directory, /opt/IBM/FileNet/verity, will be replicated from PROD to the DR site.
- 3. After the installation is complete, stop the Content Search Engine software if it is running.
- 4. Replicate, copy, or restore the Content Search Engine installation directory, /opt/IBM/FileNet/verity (soft linked to /k2verity), from the PROD Content Search Engine server to the DR site. This process includes all the configuration files from the PROD environment that were modified to use the virtual host name for the Content Search Engine server.
- Replicate, copy, or restore the Content Search Engine collections directory, /k2Collections, from the PROD Content Search Engine server to the DR site.
- 6. Start the Content Search Engine software on the DR server. You are now able to log in to the K2 Dashboard using virtual host name:

```
http://fnlcsev.fn.ibm.com:9990/verity_dashboard/main.jsp
```

The following K2 objects already exist and require no changes because the PROD environment was configured using the virtual host name:

```
fnlcsev_broker_server
fnlcsev_index_server
fnlcsev_search_server
fnlcsev_ticket_server
```

7. Log in to Enterprise Manager in DR and verify the K2 domain configuration. Because the DR Content Engine is using a replicated copy of the PROD GCD, making changes is unnecessary because all configuration parameters reference the virtual host name.

Process Engine installation

To set up a standby Process Engine for disaster recovery, configure the DR Process Engine server as a member of a Process Engine farm that also includes

the PROD Process Engine server. To accomplish this task, you have access the Process Engine database on the PROD database server during the initial installation and configuration of the DR Process Engine server. As is the case with the DR Content Engine installation, after the configuration is complete, you can then point the DR Process Engine server to the DR database server.

The high-level installation and configuration steps are as follows:

- Edit either the local /etc/hosts file on the Content Engine server or the DNS tables so that the virtual host name of the database server (FNLDB2V) resolves to the PROD database server (FNLDB2PROD). Verify using the nslookup command.
- To configure a Process Engine farm, you must modify the /etc/hosts file on the DR Process Engine server to include entries for both the PROD and DR Process Engine servers. Also, append the alias for the virtual Process Engine server host name (FNLPEV) to the DR Process Engine entry. Entries are similar to those in Figure 9-20.

```
192.168.100.222 fnlpeprod fnlpeprod.fn.ibm.com
10.0.200.222 fnlpedr fnlpedr.fn.ibm.com fnlpev.fn.ibm.com
```

Figure 9-20 /etc/hosts entries on FNLPEDR

3. Install the Process Engine by using values listed in Table 9-6.

Table 9-6 Process Engine installation parameters for DR environment

Property	Property value	
Documentation URL	http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/ecm_help	
Common Files Directory	/opt/IBM/FileNet/CommonFiles	
Nework Name	fnlpedr	
Database Type	DB2	
Database Alias Name	PEDB	
DB2 Instance Owner Name	db2inst1	
Data Tablespace	PEDATA_TS	
Blob Tablespace	PEBLOB_TS	
Alias for group FNADMIN	fnadmin	
Alias for group FNOP	fnop	
Alias for group FNUSR	fnusr	

Property	Property value
Alias for user FNSW	fnsw
Alias for user F_SW	pe_sw
Alias for user F_MAINT	pe_maint
Password for f_sw (or alias)	*****
Password for f_maint (or alias)	****

4. Install Content Engine client using the virtual Content Engine server host name (fnlcev) for the Content Engine Client Software address (WSI):

```
cemp:http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/
```

Note that on the DR Process Engine server, fnlcev.fn.ibm.com resolves to fnlcedr.fn.ibm.com.

5. Start Process Engine on the DR Process Engine server (FNLPEDR) and launch the Process Task Manager. Because the DR server is pointing to the PROD Process Engine database, the definition for the vworbbroker.endPoint already exists and can be found on the Advanced tab in the Process Task Manager as shown in Figure 9-21. Also note that because GCD database stores the information about Process Engine region and connection point, defining those on the DR server is not necessary.

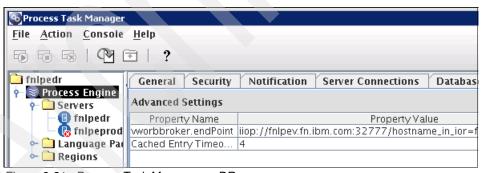


Figure 9-21 Process Task Manager on DR

- 6. Reconfigure the DR Process Engine to point to the DR database using the following steps:
 - a. Shut down the Process Engine on both the PROD and DR servers.
 - b. Shut down the PROD Process Engine database (PEDB).
 - c. Replicate, copy or restore the PROD Process Engine databases (PEDB) to the DR database server.

- d. After the copy or restore of the database for the DR site is complete, restart the PROD database server and the PROD Process Engine application.
- e. Modify your local /etc/hosts file on the DR Process Engine server, (or the DNS tables if appropriate,) so that the virtual host name of the database server (FNLDB2V) resolves to the DR database server (FNLDB2DR). Verify using the nslookup command.
- f. Restart the DR databases PEDB.
- g. Restart the Process Engine application on the DR Process Engine server.
- h. Check the elogs to make sure that no errors occur starting the Process Engine.
- i. Verify the connection to Process Engine database by running vwcemp as show in Figure 9-22.

```
fnlpedr(fnsw)/home/fnsw> vwcemp -l
    Host = <localhost>
    IOR Port = <32776>
    Broker Port = <32777>
    ServiceUser = <peServiceUser>
    URL = <http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/>
    SysAdminG = <peAdminGroup>
    SysConfigG = <peConfigGroup>
```

Figure 9-22 The vwcemp command to verify connection to the database

Workplace XT installation

Workplace XT in the DR environment is installed as a regular installation. The guidelines for installing and configuring Workplace XT on the DR server are as follows:

- Workplace XT and Application Engine use EJB transport to connect to the Content Engine. Therefore, you must use the actual DR Content Engine host name, not the virtual host name, when specifying values for the following URLs:
 - Content Engine client URL
 - Content Engine upload URL
 - Content Engine download URL

For example, use the following URL when installing the DR Workplace XT application:

```
cemp:iiop://fnlcedr.fn.ibm.com:2809/FileNet/Engine
```

- ► The default location for the Workplace XT configuration folder is /opt/IBM/FileNet/Config. Configuration files in this folder include bootstrap information such as the object store name for the site preferences and the site preference name for Workplace XT. During the installation of the DR Workplace XT, allow the installer to create the default configuration folder. After the installation is completed, replace the Config directory with a soft link to the /p8data/Config directory. The /p8data/Config directory in DR contains a copy or replica of the /p8data/Config folder from PROD.
- During the DR installation, use default locations for the Upload and Download directories on local disk, for example:

/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Upload
/opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Download

During the DR Content Engine client installation on the Workplace XT server, specify the virtual host name for the Content Engine server when prompted for the Content Engine URL (WSI), for example:

cemp:http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/

- Deploy Workplace XT as instructed in the installation guide.
- ► Start the Workplace XT application using the WebSphere Integrated Solutions console in the DR environment. Replicate the Config folder (/opt/IBM/FileNet/Config/WebClient) from PROD to DR, overwriting the current default content. Because this configuration is already set on the PROD site, you are not prompted to set the bootstrap preferences when you log in to Workplace XT for the first time.
- ► Log in to Workplace by using the virtual name for Workplace XT URL, for example

http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/WorkplaceXT

Note that in the DR environment, fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com resolves to fnlxtdr.fn.ibm.com.

- Because site preferences are stored in the GCD, all previous settings including Connection Points for Workplace XT is already defined.
- ▶ Because the Process Engine database has been replicated to DR, it is not necessary to initialize the isolated region.
- ► The Component Manager configuration is stored in a directory that is not replicated from the PROD environment. Therefore, you must create a new Component Manager for the DR environment. Use the properties defined in Table 9-7 on page 259. Note that most parameters reference the virtual host name, with the exception of the Web Services Listener Local Host field, which requires the actual DR host name.

Table 9-7 Component Manager Configuration Parameters

Parameter	Value
Content Engine URI	http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/
Connection Point	CPFNLPEV
Web Services Listener URL	http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/WorkplaceXT
Web Services Listener Local Host	fnlxtdr.fn.ibm.com:9081

Image Services installation

In general, you install the DR Image Services software by using the same procedure and parameters that are used to set up the PROD environment. The guidelines for installing and configuring Image Services in the DR environment are as follows:

- Create the logical volumes, file systems, and mount points to match the existing PROD environment:
 - Create the logical volume for the Image Services binaries with a mount point of /fnsw on local disk (rootvg).
 - Create the logical volumes for the Image Services configuration files with a mount point of /fnsw/local on SAN storage (datavg).
 - Create the MSAR file systems on SAN storage (datavg), using the same mount point name as PROD.
 - Create the logical volumes for the MKF databases and cache on SAN storage (datavg). Links to these raw volumes will be created in the /fnsw/dev/1 directory during the installation procedure.
- ► For the initial DR installation, the /fnsw, /fnsw/local and MSAR file systems exist, but do not contain data. Likewise, the MKF/cache logical volumes also exist, but contain no data. Do not copy, restore or replicate any file systems from the PROD environment until after the initial configuration is complete.
- For the purpose of the install, point the DR Image Services server to the DR database server. Although the Content Engine and Process Engine installations require access to the PROD databases for the initial install, this is not the case for Image Services. Create the Image Services database, for example INDEXDB, on the DR database server and allow the installer to initialize the database. Do not copy, restore or replicate these file systems from the PROD environment until after the initial configuration is complete.
- ► Make sure the UNIX user fnsw and groups (fnadmin, fnusr and fnop) have the same user ID (uid) and group ID (gid) on both PROD and DR.

Complete the Image Services install on the DR server using the standard installation procedure. Follow the steps to initialize the DR INDEXDB database, MKF databases, and cache. Verify that the DR Image Services software starts and stops correctly using default data. A

After you confirm the startup and shutdown of the DR software, copy the PROD data and configuration files to DR as follows:

- 1. Shut down Image Services on both the PROD and DR servers.
- 2. Shut down the PROD and DR relational databases (INDEXDB).
- Replicate, copy or restore the PROD Image Services database (INDEXDB) to the DR database server. When the copy is complete, restart the Image Services databases for both PROD and DR on the DB2 servers.
- 4. Replicate, copy or restore the MKF and cache files from PROD to the DR site.

Note: On UNIX environments, the MKF databases (PERM, TRANS, and SEC), and the cache objects, are stored in raw data partitions. These objects cannot be copied as you would a normal file system. To transfer this type of data from PROD to DR, use one of the following procedures:

- ▶ Replicate or mirror the LUN using block level replication.
- Restore the data using the IBM FileNet Enterprise Backup and Restore (EBR) utility.
- Copy the logical volume using the UNIX dd command.

Replicating the Transient database and cache files is optional, because you can reinitialize these partitions on the DR site. Be aware, however, that if you choose to reinitialize cache, the capture repository that is required by the IBM FileNet Capture software must be restored manually.

- Replicate, copy or restore the PROD MSAR directory to the DR Image Services server.
- 6. Copy the /fnsw/etc/serverConfig file from PROD to DR.
- 7. Replicate, copy or restore the PROD configuration directory (/fnsw/local) to the DR Image Services server.
- 8. Run the fn build -a command on the DR server.
- 9. Restart the Image Services software on both PROD and DR. Check log files (elogs) to verify the software started correctly.
- 10. Test the DR Image Services system, using the procedures outlined in Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263.

Content Federation Services for Image Services installation

Configuration for Content Federation Services for Image Services (CFS-IS) is stored in the Content Engine database. Because the Content Engine databases are replicated on the DR site, there are no configuration changes required for CFS-IS on DR. Any fixed storage locations used by CFS-IS must be replicated to the DR site.

9.4 Verifying the DR installation

After all software has been installed and configured on the DR servers, and initial data copied from PROD to DR, validate the system by using guidelines outlined in Chapter 10, "System testing and validation" on page 263. A best practice is to test the DR site while the PROD system is down. This practice ensures that the DR site has no dependencies on components in PROD.

9.5 Enabling PROD to DR replication

After the initial DR installation has been validated, you must enable replication on an on-going basis so that the DR system data can be synchronized with the PROD data.

To enable replication in our lab environment, perform the following steps:

- 1. Shut down all FileNet P8 components on the DR servers.
- 2. Shut down the DR WebSphere application servers for Workplace XT and Content Engine.
- 3. Shut down the DB2 databases on the DR database server.
- 4. Unmount all volumes in DR that reside on LUNs that are to be replicated from the PROD LUNs.
- 5. Turn on mirroring for on-going replication of PROD data to DR.

Note: While mirroring from PROD to DR is on, you cannot access the FileNet P8 components on the DR site. To use the DR site, you must first disable, or break the mirroring.

If you want to use the DR site for testing purposes, consider using a second copy, or FlashCopy image, of the data for testing purposes.

9.6 Activating the DR site

The configuration guidelines for the PROD environment outlined in Chapter 7, "Case study description and system setup" on page 145, coupled with DR configuration guidelines presented in this chapter, allow for activation of the DR environment with no changes to the FileNet P8 configuration.

To activate the DR environment, perform the following steps:

- 1. Verify that mirroring has been disabled.
- 2. Mount all the necessary volumes on the DR servers.
- 3. Start up the DR databases.
- 4. Start up the DR WebSphere application servers.
- 5. Start up the DR FileNet P8 components.
- 6. Validate the DR applications by using steps outlined in Chapter 9, "Disaster recovery setup and configuration" on page 227.

Note: During the test phase, restrict user access until validation is complete. This can be accomplished by modifying the local host tables on the test user's workstation only so that the virtual host names resolve to the DR server host names. After the validation is complete, update the DNS entries for the entire site so that the virtual host names resolve to the DR server names for all users.

9.7 Maintaining the DR site

After the DR system has been configured, you must maintain the software and configuration so that it remains synchronized with the PROD environment. The conditions that might require manual updates to the DR site are as follows:

- Creating a new object store
 - When a new object store is created on the PROD site, you must create new JDBC datasources to access the object store database. Make sure that you also add the new JDBC datasources to the DR site.
- Applying fix packs and patches
 - Whenever the PROD software is updated or patched, you must apply the updates to the DR system as well.



System testing and validation

This chapter describes the detailed steps involved in validating the backup and disaster recovery procedures that we have identified in previous chapters for a FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 system. We describe how to test the internal health and consistency of each core component and the consistency between the components after a restore or failover. The steps that are included here are for our test environment. For your environment, you must make adjustments such as changing server names, user IDs, passwords, and paths.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Starting the FileNet P8 software
- ► Testing for internal consistency
 - Importance of internal consistency
 - Content Engine internal consistency
 - Process Engine internal consistency
 - Image Services consistency
- Testing for consistency between applications
 - Content Engine and Process Engine
 - Content Engine and Content Search Engine
 - Content Engine and Image Services

10.1 Starting the FileNet P8 software

The first steps to test the system after restoring data from a backup or failing over to a Disaster Recovery (DR) system are as follows:

- 1. Start the software.
- 2. Verify that it started cleanly.
- 3. Review the associated log files.

For DR failover, this chapter assumes that you have already made the necessary configuration changes to reflect the new environment. See Chapter 9, "Disaster recovery setup and configuration" on page 227 for these procedures. P8 runs in a distributed environment, and although several components can be started independently from other components, we start the components in the following order:

1. Databases (DB2)

We use databases in the following components:

- Content Engine (CE)
- Process Engine (PE)
- Image Services (IS)
- 2. Image Services and High Performance Image Import (HPII)
- 3. Content Engine
- 4. Process Engine
- 5. Workplace XT
- Component Manager
- 7. Content Search Engine

10.1.1 Starting the P8 databases

Start the databases for Image Services, Content Engine, and Process Engine. In our case, all three databases are managed from the same DB2 server and instance and are all started automatically when DB2 is started.

To start the P8 databases, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the database server as the database administrator (db2inst1).
- 2. Start the DB2 software and databases:
 - \$ db2start

3. Review the DB2 diagnostic logs. To determine the location of the DB2 logs, type the following command:

```
$ db2 get dbm cfg | grep -i diag
```

We used the following log in our system:

/db2data/home/db2inst1/sqllib/db2dump/db2diag.log

Note: To find database log files, use one of the following commands, depending on your system:

► DB2:

```
db2 get dbm cfg |grep -i diag
```

▶ Oracle:

```
show parameter BACKGROUND_DUMP_DEST
```

► MS SQL Server:

```
SELECT name, physical_name FROM sys.master_files
```

10.1.2 Starting Image Services and HPII

To start the Image Services and HPII software, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the Image Services server as Image Services administrator (fnsw).
- 2. Start Image Services:
 - \$ initfnsw start
- 3. Verify that the software is started:
 - \$ whatsup
- 4. Review the Image Services event log using either of the following commands:
 - \$v1
 - \$ less /fnsw/local/logs/elogs/elogyyyymmdd
 Replace yyyymmdd with the current year, month, and day.
- 5. Log in as to the Image Services server as the HPII user (hpiiusr).
- 6. Start HPII:
 - \$ cd /fnsw/local/bin
 - \$ HPII start

7. Verify that the software is started:

```
$ ps -ef | grep HPII_import
$ ps -ef | grep HPII val
```

8. Review the HPII import and validation logs:

```
$ less /fnsw/local/bin/journals/impyyyymmdd
$ less /fnsw/local/bin/journals/valyyyymmdd
```

10.1.3 Starting the Content Engine

To start the Content Engine software, perform the following steps:

- Log in to the Content Engine server as the Content Engine OS user (p8OSusr).
- 2. Start the application server deployment manager (if applicable), node agent, and Content Engine server, as appropriate in your environment. In our case, we start all three components with a single script:

```
$ /opt/scripts/startWASall.sh
```

This script contains the following lines:

```
WAS_HOME=/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer

$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8dmgr01/bin/startManager.sh \
-username wasadmin \
-password itso13sj

$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh

$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh CEserver01
```

- 3. Review the application server logs. In our case the logs are from WebSphere and are in the following locations:
 - \$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/logs/CEserver01/startServer.log
 - \$WAS HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/logs/CEserver01/SystemErr.log
 - \$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/logs/CEserver01/SystemOut.log
- 4. Review the P8 server error log:

```
$WAS HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/FileNet/CEserver01/p8 server error.log
```

5. With an HTTP browser, check the Content Engine ping page (see Figure 10-1 on page 267). This page is displayed only if the Content Engine is started. This is a quick test; it does not check full Content Engine functionality:

```
http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/FileNet/Engine
```

To determine the URL, replace /wsi/FNCEWS40MT0M in the Enterprise Manager connection string with /FileNet/Engine.

% Content Engine Startup Context (Ping Page)			
Key			
Process Engine	4.5.1.0 pui451.057		
Server Instance {s}	CEserver01 {CEserver01}		
Startup Message	P8 Content Engine Startup: 4.5.1 dap451.100 Copyright IBM Corp. 2003, 2009 All rights reserved on CEse		
J2EEUtil	com.filenet.apiimpl.util.J2EEUtilWS		
Start Time	Wed Nov 04 05:13:32 EST 2009		
P8 Domain	CEProd		
Log File Location	/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/FileNet/CEserver01		
Classpath	/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/properties:/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/propert nls.jar:/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/lib/Improxy.jar:/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/lib/urlprotocols.jar:		
JDBC Driver	IBM DB2 JDBC Universal Driver Architecture 3.57.82		
Working Directory	/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01		
Operating System	AIX 6.1		
PCH Listener	4.5.1.004 pch455.004		
JVM	java.vm.vendor IBM Corporation java.vm.name IBM J9 VM java.runtime.version jymap6460-20080816_22093 java.runtime.name Java(TM) SE Runtime Environment java.vm.version 2.4 java.vm.info J2RE 1.6.0 IBM J9 2.4 AIX ppc64-64 jymap6460-20080816_22093 (JIT enabled, AOT java.fullversion java.fullversion J2RE 1.6.0 IBM J9 2.4 AIX ppc64-64 jymap6460-20080816_22093 (JIT enabled, AOT java.fullversion		

Figure 10-1 Content Engine ping page

6. Log in to Enterprise Manager.

This action verifies that the Content Engine software, Content Engine database, and directory services are all started.

7. In Enterprise Manager, select Sites → Initial Site → Virtual Servers.

Verify that Content Engine is running on the expected server. This verification is especially important if failing over to a DR Content Engine server. In our example as shown in Figure 10-2 on page 268, we can see that the Content Engine application is active on the Content Engine server at the production site. The Content Engine server at the DR site is down.

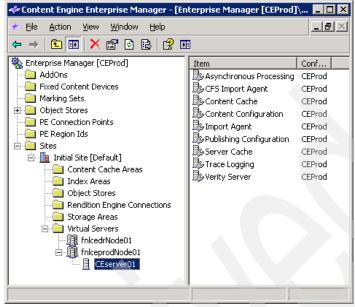


Figure 10-2 Active Content Engine server

- 8. Start the CFS-IS Import Agent if it is not started, as follows:
 - a. In Enterprise Manager, right-click the top level P8 domain and click **Properties**.
 - Select the IS Import Agent tab. See Figure 5-20 for the default values of the Image Services import agent.
 - c. Select the Enable Dispatcher check box.
 - d. Click OK.

See Figure 10-3 for an example.

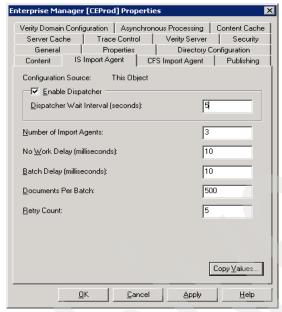


Figure 10-3 CFS-IS import agent

9. Review the Content Engine P8 server error log again to verify that the CFS-IS agents started successfully:

\$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/FileNet/CEserver01/p8_server_error.log

10.1.4 Starting the Process Engine

To start the Process Engine software, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the Process Engine server as the Process Engine administrative user (fnsw).
- 2. Verify Process Engine database connectivity with **vwcemp** command (see Example 10-1 on page 270):
 - \$ vwcemp -1

```
fnlpeprod(fnsw)/home/fnsw> vwcemp -1
   Host = <localhost>
   IOR Port = <32776>
   Broker Port = <32777>
   ServiceUser = <peServiceUser>
   URL = <http://fnlcev.fn.ibm.com:9080/wsi/FNCEWS40MTOM/>
   SysAdminG = <peAdminGroup>
   SysConfigG = <peConfigGroup>
```

3. Start the Process Engine software:

\$ initfnsw start

Successfully starting the Process Engine software verifies a successful connection to the Content Engine.

- 4. Review the Process Engine event log by using either of the following commands:
 - \$ v1
 - \$ less /fnsw/local/logs/elogs/elogyyyymmdd

Replace *yyyymmdd* with the current year, month, and day.

5. With an HTTP browser, check the Process Engine **ping** page. This page is displayed only if the Process Engine is started:

```
http://fnlpev.fn.ibm.com:32776/IOR/ping
```

See Figure 10-4 for our example.

PE Server

fnlpeprod [Aix Server Production (3 silos) (DB2 Blob 512 MB) -- {dap451.100 pe451.062x pui451.075} Jul 24 2009 13:52:44 en]

Figure 10-4 Process Engine ping page

6. Run the **vwtool** command. The command checks full connectivity to the Process Engine software, Content Engine software, the Process Engine database, and directory services.

See Example 10-2.

Example 10-2 vwtool

```
fnlpeprod(fnsw)/home/fnsw> vwtool
User name: p8AdminUser
Password:
vwtool : fnlpeprod [Aix Server Production (3 silos) (DB2 Blob 512
MB) -- {dap451.100 pe451.062x pui451.075} Jul 24 2009 13:52:44 en ]
Type '?' for help
<vwtool:1>quit
```

10.1.5 Starting the Workplace XT

To start the Workplace XT software, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the Workplace XT server as the Workplace XT OS user (p8OSusr).
- 2. Start the application server deployment manager (if applicable), node agent, and XTserver, as appropriate for your environment. In our case, we start the node agent and Workplace XT server only because the deployment manager is run from the Content Engine server. In our case, both the node agent and Workplace XT server are started with a single script:
 - \$ /opt/scripts/startWASall.sh which contains:
 WAS_HOME=/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer
 \$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startNode.sh
 \$WAS_HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/bin/startServer.sh XTserver01
- 3. Review the application server logs. In our case, the logs are from WebSphere and are in the following locations:
 - \$WAS HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/logs/XTserver01/startServer.log
 - \$WAS HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/logs/XTserver01/SystemErr.log
 - \$WAS HOME/profiles/p8AppSrv01/logs/XTserver01/SystemOut.log
- 4. With an HTTP browser, log in to the Workplace XT Web page:

```
http://fnlxtv.fn.ibm.com:9081/WorkplaceXT
```

Successful login verifies that Workplace XT software is started and the connectivity to the Content Engine server is successful.

5. To verify Process Engine connectivity, from within the Workplace XT Web page, click the **Tasks** check box icon, shown in Figure 10-5 on page 272.

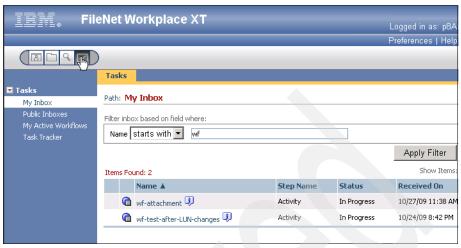


Figure 10-5 Workplace XT Process Engine tasks

10.1.6 Starting the Component Manager

To start the Component Manager software, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the Workplace XT server as the Workplace XT OS user (p8OSusr).
- 2. Start the Process Task Manager:
 - \$ /opt/IBM/FileNet/WebClient/Router/routercmd.sh

Note: Process Task Manager is an X-Windows application so you will need to set your DISPLAY variable and start an X Server on your desktop.

- 3. Start the Component Manager.
- 4. Verify that the queues are started. See Figure 10-6 on page 273 for our example.

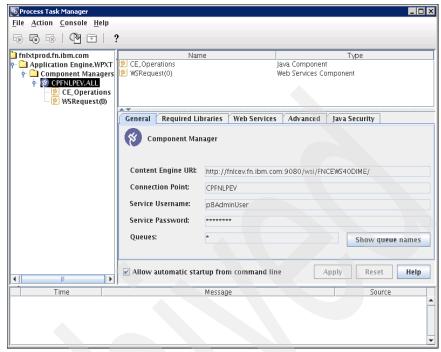


Figure 10-6 Process Task Manager - Component Manager

Note: You may also start the Component Manager from a script.

10.1.7 Starting the Content Search Engine (CSE)

Content Search Engine is also referred to as Autonomy K2¹.

To start the Content Search Engine software, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the Content Search Engine server as the K2 operating system user (p8OSusr).
- 2. Start the K2 software:
 - \$ nohup k2adminstart &

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3. Review the K2 logs, as follows:

```
./nohup.out
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/host/log/status.log
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/services/fnlcsev_index_server/log/status.log
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/services/fnlcsev_ticket_server/log/status.log
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/services/fnlcsev_search_server/log/status.log
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/services/fnlcsev_broker/log/status.log
/opt/IBM/FileNet/verity/data/host/spider/status.log
Content Engine p8_server_error.log (see Content Engine from the previous sectoin)
```

4. With an HTTP browser, log in to the K2 Dashboard as the K2 operating system user (p8OSusr):

```
http://fnlcsev.fn.ibm.com:9990/verity dashboard/main.jsp
```

Select the following items:

- a. Administrative Servers (left pane).
- b. Content Search Engine host.

Verify that all K2 services are running. The defaults are as follows:

- K2 Broker
- K2 Index Server
- K2 Search Server (displayed as K2 Server)
- K2 Ticket Server
- K2 Spider service

See Figure 10-7 on page 275 for our example.

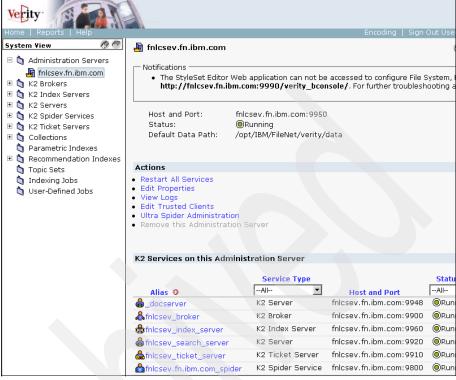


Figure 10-7 K2 Dashboard

10.2 Testing for internal consistency

After starting the software on all of the components and verifying that everything has started cleanly, the next step is to test for consistency within each component.

In 10.3, "Testing for consistency between applications" on page 293, we test for consistency between components, such as Content Engine to Image Services.

However, in this section, we focus on consistency only within the applications that can have consistency issues:

- Content Engine
 - Content Engine database
 - Storage areas
- Process Engine

The Process Engine cannot become internally inconsistent in the same way as Content Engine and Image Services because all of its data is stored in a single database, but we have tools to test that the data within the database is internally consistent across the various tables.

- Image Services
 - Media (storage locations)
 - Locator database
 - Index database

10.2.1 Importance of internal consistency

Although backing up and replicating various types of data at different times is possible, recovering this data can result in inconsistency. For example, the Content Engine typically stores a document's content in a file storage area and a document's metadata in a database. The file storage area and database are often stored with separate mechanisms, in separate locations, and can be backed up independently at separate times. If you recover a file storage area and database that were backed up at separate times, then for an individual document you might have the content from the file storage area with no corresponding reference in the database, or you might have the document reference in the database with no corresponding content. In the first case, the document content might exist but a user has no way to know of its existence; in the second case, the user sees a reference for the document, but is unable to view the content. This result is similar to a library that contains books but no card catalog (case 1) and a library with a card catalog but no books (case 2).

Because of the possibility of inconsistency, stop all applications before doing a backup, and store all data in a storage subsystem that can maintain write-order consistency when replicated to a remote site.

However, we realize that performing offline backups or storing all types of data in the same consistency group is not always possible. Therefore, when this type of data is restored or recovered, you must test the resulting data to find any inconsistencies and determine what action to take to resolve them.

10.2.2 Content Engine internal consistency

Content Engine stores the content of a document in a storage area. The storage area can be a database storage area, a file storage area, or a fixed storage area. When content is stored in a database storage area, the document content and metadata are very likely to always be consistent. However, if the content is stored in a file or fixed storage area, there is a possibility that the content and metadata can be restored or recovered to separate times. Therefore, after a restore or recovery operation, test the consistency between the metadata and the content. Check for the following possibilities:

- Document references exist but the corresponding content does not.
- Document content exists but the corresponding document references do not.

We address each possibility in this section.

Checking for document references that have no content

The Content Engine includes a tool called Consistency Checker, which reads the document references in the Content Engine database and attempts to verify that the corresponding content exists. Running the check against all documents in a file storage area can be time-consuming. With P8 4.5, the tool enables you to specify a date range so that you can check only the documents that were added after a known consistent date.

Note: For database and file storage areas, in addition to verifying the existence of the content, the Consistency Checker also compares the file size to the size that was recorded when the document was added to the system.

To run the Consistency Checker, perform the following steps:

- Log in to a Windows system where Consistency Checker is installed, typically the same location as Enterprise Manager. Then, select Start → Programs → IBM FileNet P8 Platform → FileNet Consistency Checker.
- 2. Click **Select Domain** and select an existing P8 domain or add a new one.
- 3. In the Domain window, shown in Figure 10-8 on page 278, enter the login and password information and click **Test Connection**, and then click **OK**.

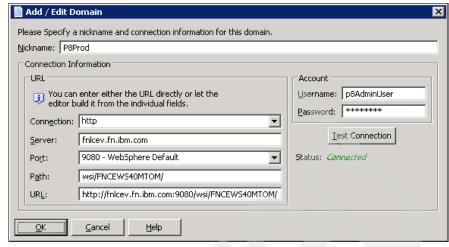


Figure 10-8 Consistency Checker domain login

A list of the storage areas in the P8 domain is displayed.

 Select a storage area and click File → Validate Storage Areas, or click the green arrow at the top left of the window, and then click Start.

If you have previously checked the selected storage area, you are prompted to run it again. Click **Yes**.

See Figure 10-9 and Figure 10-10 on page 279.

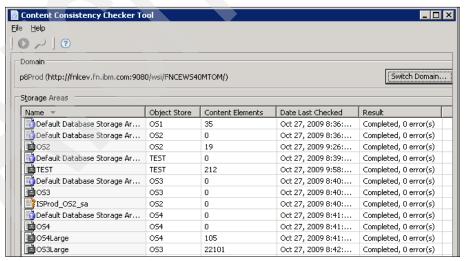


Figure 10-9 Consistency Checker storage area selection

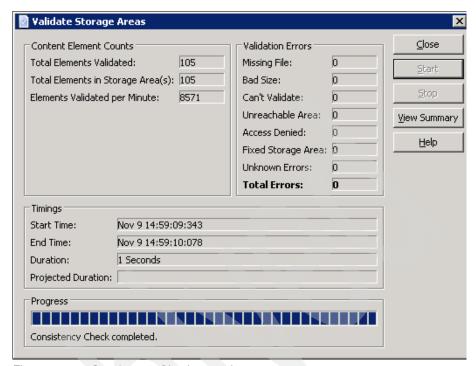


Figure 10-10 Consistency Checker results

If the Consistency Checker finds a document that does not exist in a file storage area, it lists the file name in the resulting output. See Figure 10-11 on page 280.

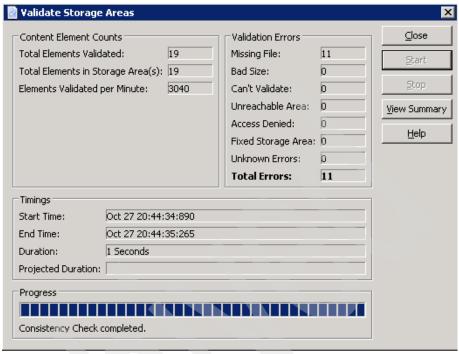


Figure 10-11 Consistency Checker with errors

5. If errors exist, click Total Errors to see a list. See Figure 10-12.

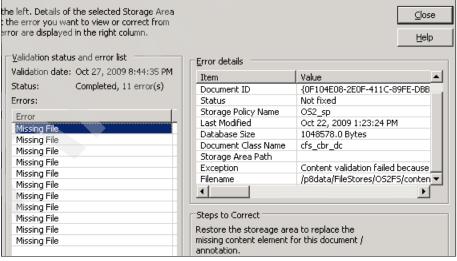


Figure 10-12 Consistency Checker error detail

The window shows each document that has missing content. Select the document to view the details in the pane on the right, including the missing file name and directory where it was located. A possibility is to simply restore the missing files from backup media. If no backup exists, you might have to resubmit the missing content.

If the Consistency Checker returns more than a few errors, a more efficient to way to identify the results of the Consistency Checker is to view the p8_server_error.log file, where the Consistency Checker also reports the errors. Example 10-3 for shows the results from our system.

Example 10-3 Consistency Checker error in p8 server error.log

```
com.filenet.api.exception.EngineRuntimeException:
CONTENT_CA_VALIDATION_FAILED_NOT_FOUND: Content validation failed because
it does not exist or is inaccessible in the storage area:
objId={80EEE764-044D-4831-877A-5310A072AE6C}; seqNo=0;
retrievalName=ibm.tif Missing
filename=/p8data/FileStores/0S2FS/content/FN8/FN3/FN{80EEE764-044D-4831-877
A-5310A072AE6C}{92A6AFF9-C2CA-4186-BE8B-D78B044D817E}-0.tif.
```

Use a tool such as **grep** to list all errors of this type and output the results to a file. Example 10-4 shows the listMissingFiles.sh file.

Example 10-4 listMissingFiles.sh

```
#!/usr/bin/sh
dir=/opt/scripts
grep CONTENT_CA_VALIDATION_FAILED_NOT_FOUND
/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/p8AppSrv01/FileNet/CEserver01/p8_serv
er_error.log |awk -F"Missing filename=" '{print $2}'|sed s/.$// |sort -u
>$dir/missing_files.txt
echo "Result is stored in $dir/missing_files.txt"
```

Example 10-5 shows running the listMissingFiles.sh file and listing the missing files.

Example 10-5 Running the listMissingFiles.sh

```
fnlceprod(p80Susr)/opt/scripts>./listMissingFiles.sh\\ Result is stored in /opt/scripts/missing_files.txt\\ fnlceprod(p80Susr)/opt/scripts> cat missing_files.txt\\ /p8data/FileStores/0S2FS/content/FN8/FN3/FN{80EEE764-044D-4831-877A-5310A072AE6C} {92A6AFF9-C2CA-4186-BE8B-D78B044D817E}-0.tif\\ /p8data/FileStores/0S2FS/content/FN9/FN10/FN{9FC47E59-B6B8-4127-BA4F-A4C01669736A} {92A6AFF9-C2CA-4186-BE8B-D78B044D817E}-0.tif\\ /p8data/FileStores/0S4Large/content/FN14/FN22/FN16/FN{83F803E3-7684-4152-906C-003930DB7402} {82766F71-5863-4211-A36D-5985A19D5B05}-0.bmp
```

6. After restoring or resubmitting the data, re-run the Consistency Checker and verify that the storage area has consistent data.

Checking for document content that has no reference

Although P8 does not offer a tool to check for document content that has no reference, you can check this manually. The idea is to identify the content high water mark, which is the latest content file in each storage area, and query the Content Engine database to see whether the resulting reference exists. If it does, you then know that the file storage area is not newer than the database.

Summary of the steps

A summary of the steps is as follows (repeat for each storage area):

- 1. Identify the file storage area location.
- 2. Determine the time that you want to search from.
- 3. Find the latest content file in the location and date range.
- 4. From the resulting file name, determine the reference ID that identifies the document in the Content Engine database.
- 5. Query the reference ID using Enterprise Manager.

Detail of the steps

Details of each step are as follows:

- 1. Identify the file storage area location:
 - a. Start Enterprise Manager.
 - b. Select the object store that contains the storage area.
 - c. Click Storage Areas.
 - d. Right-click on a storage area and select Properties.
 - e. In the General tab, make a note of the Location. See Figure 10-13 on page 283.

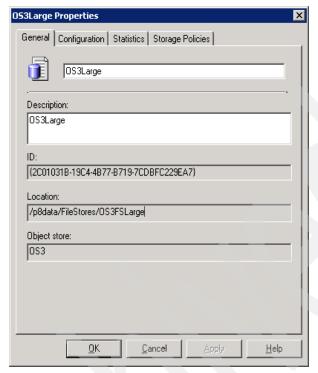


Figure 10-13 Storage Area location

In the example, the location is /p8data/FileStores/0S3FSLarge.

2. Log in to the Content Engine and change to the location directory.

Although several methods for identifying the latest file in the specified directory structure exist, because the structure can include millions of files, several or all of the methods can be slow.

We tested several of the methods and found the **find** command (output to and sorted with xargs 1s -1t command) to be the most efficient.

In Example 10-6 on page 284, we search the storage area location and all subdirectories for files with names starting with FN that were modified in the last 30 days. This command lists the results, which are not sorted by date, so we have to sort them.

Notice the following information in the example:

- Directory: /p8data/FileStores/0S3FSLarge/content/FN0/FN7/FN8
- File name:

FN**{05A4335A-DA16-49A4-96A7-30B10234F5EA}**{2C01031B-19C4-4B77-B719-7CDBFC229EA7}-0.txt

As described in Chapter 4, "FileNet P8 data relationships and dependencies" on page 67, the document reference can be determined by the file name of the content file. The reference is called the *object_id* in the database and *ID* in Enterprise Manager and is the GUID located immediately after the FN in the file name (bold in the example).

- 3. Query the object store for the ID:
 - a. Start Enterprise Manager.
 - b. Right-click the object store that contains the Storage Area.
 - c. Click Search.
 - d. Click **Document** from the **Select From Table** drop-down menu.
 - e. In row A of the Criteria section (Figure 10-14 on page 285), select or enter the following values:
 - i. Column: ID
 - ii. Condition: Equal To
 - iii. Value: {05A4335A-DA16-49A4-96A7-30B10234F5EA}
 - f. Click **OK**.

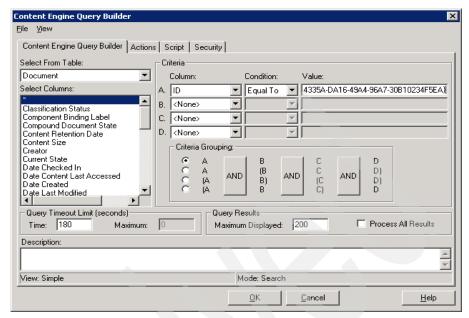


Figure 10-14 Query for ID

Alternately, in Enterprise Manager, you can use the SQL View and perform the same search:

- a. Start Enterprise Manager.
- b. Right-click the object store that contains the Storage Area.
- c. Click Search.
- d. Click View → SQL View.
- e. In the SQL Text box, enter the following text:

```
SELECT [This], [id] FROM [Document] where [id]={05A4335A-DA16-49A4-96A7-30B10234F5EA}
```

f. Click OK.

See Figure 10-15

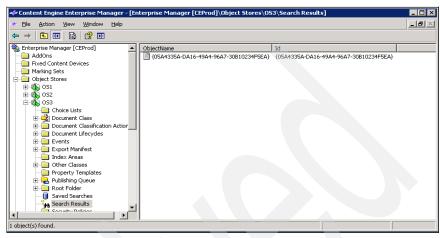


Figure 10-15 Query results

g. Right-click and select **Properties**. Verify that the document is as expected.

If the query returns a result, you can be confident that the document reference exists in the Content Engine database. If not, you can output a larger set of files from the previous commands and determine at what time the file storage area files are *newer* than the Content Engine database. As a business, you can then decide the best resolution, including options such as verifying that you restored the latest database backup and redo logs, and identifying and resubmitting the missing data.

10.2.3 Process Engine internal consistency

The Process Engine stores all of its internal data in a database, so it is unlikely to be inconsistent the same way that Image Services and Content Engine can be. However, the objects in the various tables within the database can become inconsistent.

To test for internal consistency, run the **vwverify** Process Engine tool. See Example 10-7 on page 287.

```
ffnlpeprod(fnsw)/home/fnsw> vwverify -r 601 -Y p8AdminUser+itso13sj
Connecting to VWServiceO:ProcessEngine:FileNet
Isolated Region = 601
Queues:
Delay(0)
39600
       queue work objects:
                               39626, total:
                                                39626
Tracker(0)
20750
        queue work objects:
                               20754, total:
                                                60380
Conductor
        queue work objects:
                                   0, total:
                                                60380
CompleteWF
        queue work objects:
                                   0, total:
                                                60380
CE Operations
        queue work objects:
                                   0, total:
                                                60380
WorkQueue
        queue work objects:
                                   0, total:
                                                60380
InstructionSheetInterpreter(0)
        queue work objects:
                                                60380
                                   0, total:
Inbox(0)
22200
        queue work objects:
                               22201, total:
                                                82581
WSRequest(0)
        queue work objects:
                                   0, total:
                                                82581
Rosters:
-----
LoadTest
                                  423, total:
                                                    423
400
       roster work objects:
DefaultRoster
82150 roster work objects:
                                82158, total:
                                                 82581
Summary:
        Total work objects counted: 82581
sort < vwvfytmp.txt > vwvfyrec.txt
/bin/rm vwvfytmp.txt
No fixup required
```

To specify the fixup option, run the command with the **-f** option:

\$ vwverify -f -r 601 -Y p8AdminUser+itso13sj

Note: See IBM FileNet P8 documentation \rightarrow System Administration \rightarrow Process Administration \rightarrow Administrative tools for more information about vwverify.

10.2.4 Image Services consistency

Image Services stores document content in one or more storage locations and references to the document's location in an internal MKF database, named Permanent database in a table named docs. This database and other MKF databases in Image Services are not stored in an RDBMS and can be accessed only with Image Services tools. In addition, when Image Services is run on a UNIX system, the databases are stored in raw volumes, so they are more difficult to back up. Image Services includes a backup tool named Enterprise Backup and Restore (EBR), which can back up the raw data to files in a file system. Include this in your Image Services backup strategy. The user-defined properties (for example, last name and account number), the document class, creation date, security, and other system properties are stored in an RDBMS database named Index database and a table named Doctaba. Therefore, for every document in Image Services, the following items exist:

- One record in the Permanent database
- One record in the Index database
- The actual content is stored on media.

The media can include optical surfaces (OSAR), virtual surfaces stored on magnetic disk (MSAR), and protected storage devices such as the IBM DR550, IBM Information Archive. and NetApp® Snaplock.

The databases and storage media must be consistent. If the records in the Permanent database are missing, the document content would not be able to be located. If records are missing from the Index database, the user is unable to search for the document or is unaware of the existence of the documents. If the storage media is missing, users are not able to view the documents. It is therefore important for the two databases and the storage to be backed up in synchronization.

The dbverify tool

To test for consistency between these databases and media storage, Image Services provides a tool called **dbverify**, which reports documents that are missing from either database and, optionally, verifies that the documents can be retrieved from the storage location.

You can limit **dbverify** to a range of document IDs. Running **dbverify** without specifying a doc_id range can result in a very long operation, so we suggest running it periodically using a starting doc_id that is the ending doc_id in the previous instance. By using this approach, you will have a known point in time when the system was consistent and start **dbverify** at that point. Optionally, you can start **dbverify** from a doc_id that was created the day before the disaster.

To run **dbverify**, perform the following steps:

- 1. Log in to the Image Services server as Image Services administrator (fnsw).
- 2. Run **dbverify** with the appropriate syntax (Example 10-8):

```
$ dbverify -s 0 -e 0xFFFFFFF -o -R0
```

The syntax has the following flags:

- -s: Starting doc_id
- -e: Ending doc_id
- -o: Identify documents that are not on media
- -R: Number of retries

The syntax provided in the example runs doverify command against all the documents.

Example 10-8 The dbverify command

Note: When using CFS-IS, there are several use cases where the document is not stored in the Index database, which would cause **dbverify** to report documents missing from the index database. See the *System Tools Reference Manual* in the Product Documentation for FileNet Image Services Web site for more information about **dbverify** and **oddump**:

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3283&uid=swg27010558

oddump

The **dbverify** tool is excellent for checking cross-consistency between the two document databases and for checking whether those documents exist on media. However, it does not look at the media and verify that the documents that are contained in it are in the databases. In certain situations, you might not be sure whether documents on media are referenced in the databases. To test for that

situation, use the **oddump** tool; it finds the highest doc_id in the current media surfaces. We can then search for the doc_id in the databases. Image Services uses *families* that are similar to P8 storage areas. Because more than one family might exist, be sure to check the active (current) surface for each active family.

The process is as follows:

1. Find the active media surface for the primary media families using MKF_tool, which has the following information (Example 10-9):

MKF_tool: MKF database query tool

family_disk: Table containing family and surface information

is_primary: 1=primary, 2=tranlog (backup copy)

family_name: Name of the media family current_surfs: Active surface for the family

Example 10-9 Using MKF tool to find the active surfaces

```
<MKF_tool>select family_disk * where is_primary=1 showing family_name
current_surfs
current_surfs......3016
family_name......"msar_1gb_family"
current_surfs......3014
family_name......"msar_4gb_family"
<MKF_tool>quit
```

In our example, we want to look at the two surfaces **3014** and **3016** for the highest doc_id contained in each.

Note: This method works only for documents stored on surface based media (MSAR and OSAR).

2. Use the **oddump** tool to find the highest doc_id on the selected surfaces (Example 10-10):

Example 10-10 Using oddump to find highest doc_id

```
fnlisprod(fnsw)/home/fnsw> oddump

ODDUMP -- Optical disk dump.

Logical drive number? (0, 1, ..., 9, a, b, c or CR=none) : 1

Drive successfully opened. Checking label . . .
Disk is labeled; Surface id is 3014.
```

```
Type '?' for help
<oddump:lib a:drive 1>load
Surface id (CR to specify slot) 3014
Disk is labeled; Surface id is 3014.
Disk swap succeeded
<oddump:lib a:drive 1>docidrange
Get doc id ranges for all files? (y/n): : y
SSN: 1100555555 Min doc id: 263501
                                         Max doc id: 1406006
<oddump:lib a:drive 1>load
Surface id (CR to specify slot) 3016
Disk is labeled; Surface id is 3016.
Disk swap succeeded
<oddump:lib a:drive 1>docidrange
Get doc id ranges for all files? (y/n): : y
SSN: 1100555555 Min doc id: 1406011
                                         Max doc id: 1406011
<oddump:lib a:drive 1>quit
```

Table 10-1 lists the highest doc_id for each active primary surface in our example.

Table 10-1 Highest doc_id for each active surface

Family	Surface	Highest doc_id
msar_4gb_family	3014	1406006
msar_1gb_family	3016	1406011

- 3. Now that you have the doc_ids, use one of the following ways to determine whether the doc_ids are in the databases. (IDM Find is an excellent tool to verify the document in the database. If you prefer a command-line approach, you may use database queries.)
 - IDM Find for Index database

Finding a document with IDM Find (doc_id in the results section) verifies that the document is in the Index database.

Figure 10-16 on page 292 shows a search for doc_id 1406006.

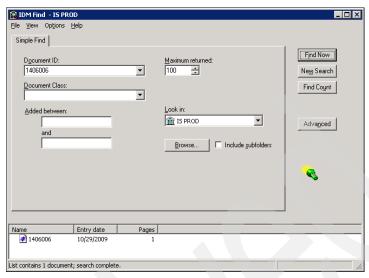


Figure 10-16 IDM Find for doc_id 1406006

IDM Find for the Permanent database

Successfully opening the document with IDM Find verifies that the document is in the Permanent database and is on the media.

Database query for the doc_id in the Index database

The tool to use for querying the Index database varies depending on the type of database. Our example uses DB2, therefore, we use the appropriate DB2 commands. See Example 10-11.

Example 10-11 DB2 query for f_docnumber 1406006

1406006.

```
1 record(s) selected.
db2 => quit
DB20000I The QUIT command completed successfully.
```

Database query for the doc_id in the Permanent database
 Because the Permanent database is an MKF database, we use MKF_tool for the query. See Example 10-12.

Example 10-12 MKF_tool query for doc_id 1406006

10.3 Testing for consistency between applications

In 10.2, "Testing for internal consistency" on page 275, we tested for consistency within each P8 application. Now, we test for consistency between applications. We test the following relationships for inconsistency:

- Content Engine and Process Engine
- Content Engine and Content Search Engine
- Content Engine and Image Services

Remember that in these exercises, we are not testing the integrity of all data between these applications. Rather, we are looking to validate that the data was restored or recovered to the same point in time. So, we look for the latest activity or object in one application that refers to another application, then verify that it exists in the other application. For example, for documents in Content Engine that refer to document content in Image Services, we determine the newest one of these and check whether it exists in Image Services. Similarly, for document content in Image Services that is referenced from Content Engine, we determine the newest one and verify that it exists in Content Engine.

10.3.1 Content Engine and Process Engine

To test the consistency between Content Engine and Process Engine, we test first from Content Engine to Process Engine and then from Process Engine back to Content Engine.

Content Engine to Process Engine

No document objects in Content Engine refer to data in Process Engine, but Content Engine does have region IDs that refer to region IDs in Process Engine. To verify that the latest region ID that is defined in Content Engine refers to a valid Process Engine region ID, perform the following steps:

- 1. Get the most recent region ID defined in Content Engine (Figure 10-17):
 - a. Log in to Enterprise Manager.
 - b. Select the Process Engine region IDs (PE Region Ids).
 - c. In the list of Process Engine region IDs, click the **Create Date** column to sort the column with the latest region at the top.
 - d. For the most recent region ID, make a note of the Process Engine server name and region number.

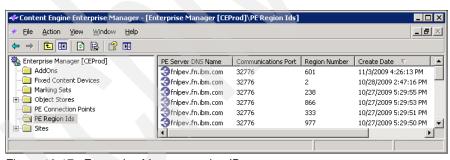


Figure 10-17 Enterprise Manager region IDs

- 2. Log in to that Process Engine server (from the previous step) and perform either of the following steps:
 - Run vwtoo1 to obtain a list of activated regions (Example 10-13 on page 295).

```
fnlpeprod(fnsw)/fnsw/bin> vwtool

User name: p8AdminUser
Password:
vwtool : fnlpeprod [Aix Server Production (3 silos) (DB2 Blob 512
MB) -- {dap451.100 pe451.062x pui451.075} Jul 24 2009 13:52:44 en
]

Type '?' for help

<vwtool:1>regions
Display isolated regions in memory or on disk (CR=m or d): d
Regions are: 1, 2, 601
<vwtool:601>quit
```

 Alternately, you can start Process Task Manager, which displays activated and unactivated regions. See Figure 10-18.

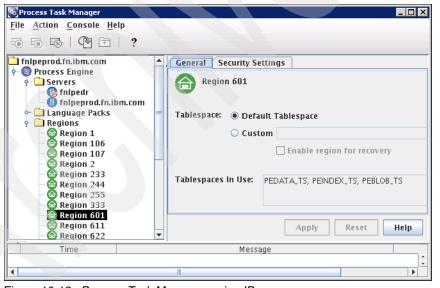


Figure 10-18 Process Task Manager region IDs

Process Engine to Content Engine

The Process Engine can have references to document objects in Content Engine. To check for consistency, we identify the most recent work object in Process Engine that has a referenced Content Engine document. The Process Engine is divided into multiple regions and the objects are divided into multiple

rosters and queues. Depending on your use of Process Engine, you might have to search multiple regions, rosters, and queues. However, you might be able to identify the region and roster or queue that is likely to have the most recent activity, and if those are consistent with Content Engine, you can be confident that all other Process Engine data is also.

This example checks one Process Engine region and one roster (DefaultRoster) for the latest work object that has a referenced Content Engine document. Then, the example queries the Content Engine for that document. You will have to repeat the process for all Process Engine regions and rosters as necessary. Perform the following steps:

- 1. Decide how far in the past you want to start the search for work objects. For our example, we use 26 October 2009 (the syntax mm/dd/yyyy is 10/26/2009 in Example 10-14). Our search includes all data between 10/26/2009 and the current date.
- 2. Convert the starting date to the date and time format that the vwtool uses (by using vwtool's **convert** command). See Example 10-14.

Example 10-14 vwtool date time conversion

```
<vwtool:1>convert
Convert:
   t - Time number to string
    s - String to time number
    e - Error tuple to three part
    p - Three part error to error tuple
    1 - Log event type number to string
    i - User id to user name
   n - User name to user id
    w - wob number decode
   b - wob number encode (internal representation to wob)
Choice? ('t', 's', 'e', 'p', 'l', 'w' or 'b'): s
Current System Mask: 'mm/dd/yy HH:tt:ss'
Time Mask (CR=system mask):
Enter local time string (CR=''): 10/26/2009 00:00:00
DTI Local Struct ...[Osec Omin Ohr 26mday 9mon 2009year 2wday 313yday Odst]
DTI Local String ...[10/26/09 00:00:00]
DTI GMT Struct ...[Osec Omin 4hr 26mday 9mon 2009year 1wday 298yday 0dst]
DTI GMT String ...[10/26/09 04:00:00]
DTI Local String from UTC...[10/26/09 00:00:00]
PE Local Time...[0x000000000000000]......1256529600 => '10/26/2009
00:00:00' PE GMT Time...[0x0000000000000]...1256529600 => GMT Time
10/26/09 04:00:00
```

The conversion resulted in the value 1256529600.

3. Enable the output to a file and search for work objects later than this value in the DefaultRoster roster using the vwtool's **wobquery** command. See Example 10-15.

Example 10-15 wobquery

```
<vwtool:1>region 601
Current region is: 1
New region is:
             601
<vwtool:601>hardcopy
Output file: /tmp/Region601DefaultRoster.txt
------Wed, 11 Nov 2009
12:28:37-----
vwtool: fnlpeprod [Aix Server Production (3 silos) (DB2 Blob 512
MB) -- {dap451.100 pe451.062x pui451.075} Jul 24 2009 13:52:44 en ]
Outputting to file '/tmp/Region601DefaultRoster.txt' and the
terminal
<vwtool:601>wobquery
Queue or roster name: DefaultRoster
Selective query? (y/CR=n): y
Index name (? for help, CR = 'F WobTag'):
Minimum value of field 'F Tag', type=String, (CR=none):
Maximum value of field 'F Tag', type=String, (CR=none):
Filter condition (SQL expression): F StartTime>1256529600
Display work objects, invocations, or roster records (CR=w, i, or
r):
Display size? (y/CR=n): n
Verbose output? (CR=y/n): n
------Wed, 11 Nov 2009
12:30:03-----
F WobNum.....8F6AE8C6CE4D11DE8D440000C0A864DE
F WFReminder.....0
F Comment*....'
F Subject.....'AutoCase Workflow'
F SourceDoc.....'AutoCase Workflow'
ID......
Customer....''
* => field modified after work object created
------Wed, 11 Nov 2009
12:30:03-----
F WobNum.....1C1D3D2ACE5611DE8D440000C0A864DE
```

```
F WFDeadline......15
F WFReminder.....10
F Comment....'
F ResponseCount*.....0
F Subject.....'Server Bash test - attch2'
F SourceDoc......'3:3:TEST:{69DD667A-E658-484E-9613-004959B2CA8B}:{
6B7EA1BF-7A57-4443-BD7B-9537C27EAD8B} '
StringField....''
BooleanField.....true
BooleanArrayField......true}
FloatField......0
TimeField......1257897681 => '11/10/2009 19:01:21'
AttachmentField.....'test-cbr dc.txt||3|3|TEST|{
F50DD0C8-C935-44D6-9888-5A30E8A7A773}'
AttachmentArrayField...{'Changed by
ComponentManager | 3 | 3 | TEST | { 9ECF32A1-C875-48FB-B036-56FE0C99F73E} '.'
test5||3|3|TEST|{1160C0CD-ADBB-46FF-8FC4-3140FD9EBB77}'}
'space'=page, '<CR>'=line, 'x'=exit, 'p'=paging off, 't'=terminal
off: t
```

4. If the **AttachmentField** is 'null', open the output file (/tmp/Region601DefaultRoster.txt) to find the latest attachment.

Note: The field that contains the Content Engine ID GUID can vary depending on your application. Scan the output of the **wobquery** command for the GUIDs that are preceded by the name of your object store.

- 5. Search the Version Series by using either of two methods. The first method is as follows:
 - a. Start Enterprise Manager.
 - b. Select the object store associated with the GUID (**TEST** in Example 10-15 on page 297).
 - c. Right-click the object store and select **Search.**

- d. Select **Document** from the Select From Table drop-down list.
- e. In row A of the Criteria section (see Figure 10-19), select or enter the following values:

Column: Version Series

Condition: Equal To

Value: {F50DD0C8-C935-44D6-9888-5A30E8A7A773}

f. Click **OK**.

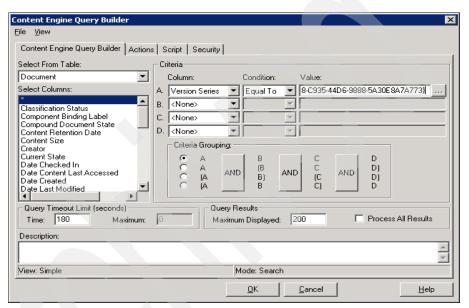


Figure 10-19 Enterprise Manager query for Version Series

Version Series: In the AttachmentField, the Process Engine stores the Version Series GUID that represents all versions of a document instead of the ID of a specific version of a document.

A second method for searching the Version Series is as follows:

- a. Start Enterprise Manager.
- b. Select the object store associated with the GUID (TEST in Example 10-15 on page 297).
- c. Right-click the object store and click **Search.**
- d. Select View → SQL View.

e. For the **SQL Text**, enter the following string (see Figure 10-20):

```
SELECT [This], [DateCreated], [DateLastModified], [DocumentTitle],
[Name], [VersionStatus] FROM [Document] WHERE ([VersionSeries] =
Object('{F50DD0C8-C935-44D6-9888-5A30E8A7A773}'))
```

f. Click OK.

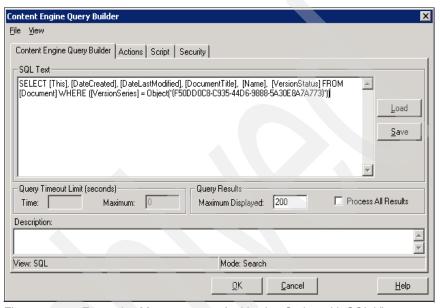


Figure 10-20 Enterprise Manager query for Version Series with SQL View

10.3.2 Content Engine and Content Search Engine

To test the consistency between Content Engine and Content Search Engine, we test first from Content Search Engine to Content Engine and then from Content Engine back to Content Search Engine.

Content Search Engine to Content Engine

If the Content Search Engine has a record of Content Engine document that is not in the Content Engine, then the Content Search Engine data might have been restored to a newer point in time than the Content Engine database.

To check if Content Search Engine has a record of Content Engine document that is not in Content Engine, perform the following steps:

- 1. With an HTTP browser, log in to the K2 Dashboard as a K2 operating system user (p80Susr):
 - http://fnlcsev.fn.ibm.com:9990/verity_dashboard/main.jsp
- Click Collections (from the left-side pane) and verify the following information:
 - Each collection is online. Figure 10-21 shows the collection status.



Figure 10-21 K2 Dashboard collections status

 The "Date Last Modified" is as expected. You might have to scroll the window to the right to see this information. Figure 10-22 shows that the K2 Dashboard collection data is modified.



Figure 10-22 K2 Dashboard collections data modified

- 3. Search for the most recently indexed documents in the collection:
 - a. In the left pane, select **K2 Servers**. See Figure 10-23.
 - b. Click your search server in the main window.
 - c. Click Test Search.
 - d. In the Scope section, clear all check boxes except one object store collection.
 - e. Click Search.

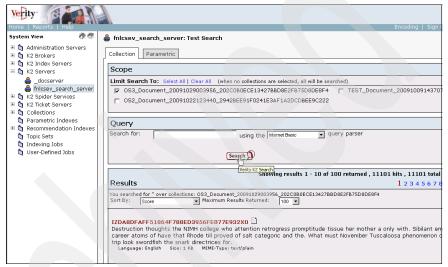


Figure 10-23 K2 Dashboard test search of object store OS3

- 4. In the Results section at the bottom of the window, the search lists the most recently indexed documents in the specified collection. In our example, the document reference is IZDA8DFAFF51864F788ED3956FE077E932X0. Repeat this process for each collection and note the resulting document reference ID for each.
- 5. To query the Content Engine for the document referenced in Content Search Engine, first modify the format of the ID to a format that is expected by Enterprise Manager. The *original* format of the ID is as follows:

IZDA8DFAFF51864F788ED3956FE077E932X0

- a. Replace the letters IZ, at the start of the ID, and the letters X0, at the end of the ID, with curly braces.
- b. Add a dash after the character in positions 8, 12, 16, and 22.

The result of these changes is as follows:

{DA8DFAFF-5186-4F78-8ED3-956FE077E932}

Use the resulting ID to query the Content Engine from Enterprise Manager. See Figure 10-24.

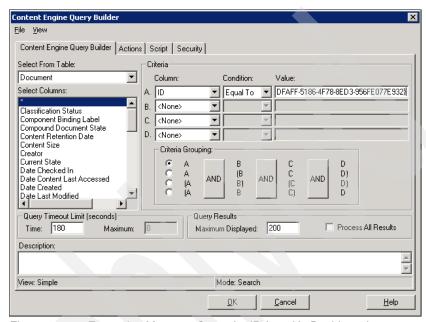


Figure 10-24 Enterprise Manager Query for ID from K2 Dashboard

Content Engine to Content Search Engine

First, determine the newest document in Content Engine that should be indexed in Content Search Engine. Then, determine whether it has been indexed.

Find the newest document that has been indexed for each object store, which can be accomplished in several ways:

- ► The easiest method is to query the object store for documents in a CBR-enabled document class and specify a date range. Because this query can be slow, using it might not be the best approach.
- ► The preferred method is to query the document database table for the highest rowid (therefore the newest document) that has been marked as indexed, and then query the same table for the Content Engine ID for that rowid.

Use the second (preferred) method as follows:

1. Query the document table for the highest rowid that has a value in the f_ce_row_id. Note the following information:

rowid Special database column that uniquely represents a row in

a table

docversion Content Engine object store table that contains one row

per document

indexation_id Column in docversion that contains the Content Search

Engine Collection ID. If null, the document has not been

indexed

object_id ID that uniquely identifies a specific version of a document

2. Query the document table for the object_id of the document from the previous step. See Example 10-16.

Example 10-16 Identify the highest indexed document

db2 => select max(rowid) from docversion where indexation_id is not null

1

x'00000000208000B000000000274041A'

1 record(s) selected.

db2 => select object_id from docversion where rowid=x'000000000208000B00000000274041A'

OBJECT ID

x'D65F242BA8CDF44A8155191CC57D8606'

1 record(s) selected.

3. Convert the format, as stored in the database, to the format that is used by Enterprise Manager (curly braces format, described in step 5 on page 302).

Example 10-17 GUID conversion DB to curly bracket form

```
$ echo x'D65F242BA8CDF44A8155191CC57D8606' | sed s/x// | sed s/\'//g
|awk '{printf
("{%s%s%s%s-%s%s-%s-%s}\n",substr($1,7,2),substr($1,5,2),substr
($1,3,2),substr($1,1,2),substr
($1,11,2),substr($1,9,2),substr($1,15,2),substr($1,13,2),substr($1,1,12,1,12))}'
```

{2B245FD6-CDA8-4AF4-8155-191CC57D8606}

The DB format is:

x'D65F242BA8CDF44A8155191CC57D8606'

The Enterprise Manager format is:

{2B245FD6-CDA8-4AF4-8155-191CC57D8606}

Notes:

► The previous command to convert the GUID is written on a single line. It can be run on any system with a UNIX shell. If the line is too long for your shell, create a file with the GUID and use the cat command for the file instead of echoing the GUID.

```
bash$ echo x'D65F242BA8CDF44A8155191CC57D8606' > c:/temp/GUID
```

```
bash$ cat c:/temp/GUID | sed s/x// |sed s/\'//g |awk '{printf ("{%s%s%s%s-%s%s-%s%s-%s}\n",substr($1,7,2),substr($1,5,2),substr($1,3,2),substr($1,1,2),substr($1,11,2),substr($1,9,2),substr($1,15,2),substr($1,13,2),substr($1,17,4),substr($1,21,12))}
```

{2B245FD6-CDA8-4AF4-8155-191CC57D8606}

To convert a curly braces format to a DB format, use the following command:

x'D65F242BA8CDF44A8155191CC57D8606'

- 4. Convert the GUID from the Enterprise Manager format to the format expected by the K2 Dashboard. We simply reverse the process that is described in "Content Search Engine to Content Engine" on page 300. We replace curly braces and remove dashes, as shown:
 - Enterprise Manager format: {2B245FD6-CDA8-4AF4-8155-191CC57D8606}
 - K2 format:

IZ2B245FD6CDA84AF48155191CC57D8606**X0**

- 5. Search the document in the K2 Dashboard (using the K2 format) to determine whether it is in the Content Search Engine collection:
 - With an HTTP browser, log in to the K2 Dashboard as a K2 operating system user (p8OSusr):

http://fnlcsev.fn.ibm.com:9990/verity dashboard/main.jsp

b. Click **K2 Servers** in the left-side pane. See Figure 10-25.

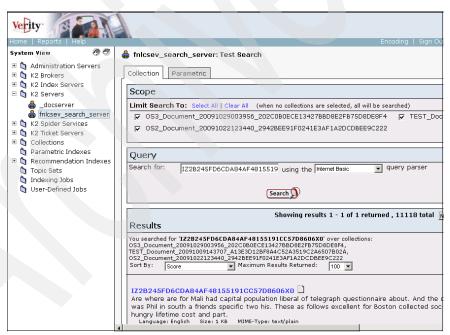


Figure 10-25 K2 Dashboard search by GUID

- c. Select your search server in the main window.
- d. Click Test Search.

- e. In the Scope section, select the collection that is associated with the object store you used in the database query, or select all collections.
- f. In the Query section and the Search for field, enter the GUID in the K2 format that you determined in step 4 on page 306.
- g. Click Search.
- 6. If the document does not exist, re-index the collection.

10.3.3 Content Engine and Image Services

The three use cases for CFS-IS are as follows:

- ► Use case 1: Documents are added through Image Services, federated to Content Engine, and the Image Services catalog entries remain in the Index database.
- ► Use case 2: Documents are added through Image Services, federated to Content Engine, and the Image Services catalog entry is deleted from the Image Services catalog when federated.
- ► Use case 3: Documents are added through Content Engine and the content is stored in Image Services.

We have found the first use case to be the most common among customers. In the systems we use for this book, we configured the first use case and in this section, we describe how to test for consistency, assuming the first use case. The second and third use cases have no catalog entries in Image Services; in the third use case, the Content Engine document ID GUID is not fabricated from the Image Services doc_id. These facts affect the testing process. For use case 2 and 3, we do not include testing for consistency.

Image Services to Content Engine

Determine whether the newest documents in Image Services (that have been federated) have corresponding records in Content Engine. First, identify the highest doc_id that has been federated, then check Content Engine for the doc_id.

Note: We use DB2 tools for several of these steps. Use the appropriate commands and syntax for your system.

Identifying the highest federated doc_id in the Image Services Index database

Identify the highest federated doc_id in the Image Services Index database:

 Query the document table for the highest rowid that has a value in the f_ce_row_id:

rowid Special database column that uniquely represents a row in

a table.

doctaba Image Services table that contains one row per doc_id.

f ce os id Column in doctaba that contains the Content Engine object

store ID. If null, the document has not been federated.

f_docnumber ID in the document table that uniquely identifies a single

document.

2. Query the document table for the doc_id for the document (from the previous step). See Example 10-18.

Example 10-18 Identify the highest federated doc_id

```
db2 => select max(rowid) from f_sw.doctaba where f_ce_os_id is not
null
```

```
1
```

x'0000000114200B500000000033A5A02

1 record(s) selected.

 $db2 \Rightarrow select f_docnumber from f_sw.doctaba where rowid=<math>x'00000000114200B50000000033A5A02'$

F_DOCNUMBER

1406012.

Querying the Content Engine database for the doc_id found

There are several ways to query the Content Engine database for the doc_id (described in "Identifying the highest federated doc_id in the Image Services Index database" on page 308):

 Query the Content Engine database using a mapped property. This method is the easiest, if you have mapped the Image Services doc_id (f_docnumber) with CFS-IS. If so, use Enterprise Manager to search the object store and document class for the mapped Image Services doc_id property. See Figure 10-26.

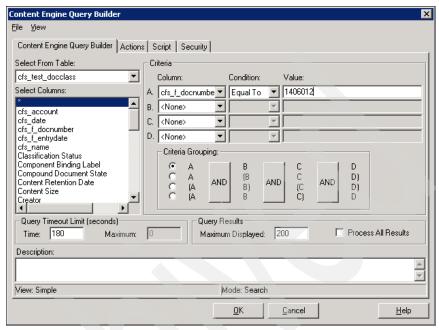


Figure 10-26 Enterprise Manager search for mapped doc_id

If the Image Services doc_id is not mapped, select an appropriate Image Services user index that is mapped and that uniquely identifies the document. Then, use Enterprise Manager to search for it. For example, if in Image Services you have an index named AccountNumber and it is mapped with CFS-IS, use IDM Find to list the AccountNumber for the doc_id that is identified. Use Enterprise Manager to search for the mapped Content Engine AccountNumber property.

Query the Content Engine database for the doc_id using the Document Title. By default, the Document Title of a federated document in Content Engine contains the name of the fixed content device and the Image Services doc_id. Therefore, we can search for Content Engine documents with the identified doc_id in the title. See Figure 10-27 on page 310.

Note: Searching with **Like** this way can be very slow and is not recommended unless your database is small. The Enterprise Manager Search warns you of the performance impact when you attempt this.

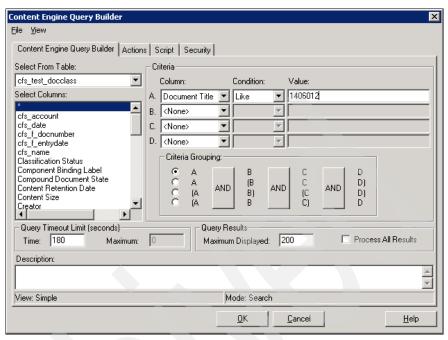


Figure 10-27 Enterprise Manager query by Document Title

▶ Query the Content Engine database for the doc id using the Object id field.

Note: Converting the Image Services doc_id to a Content Engine GUID is somewhat complicated. Partly for this reason, be sure to use mapping Image Services doc_id as part of your CFS-IS strategy.

Although Content Engine stores the Image Services doc_id in its document table, it is stored in a GUID format. Therefore, we must convert the Image Services native doc_id to the GUID format before searching for it in Enterprise Manager. The Content Engine Object_id GUID for a CFS-IS federated document is made from the GUID of the fixed content device and hexidecimal value of the Image Services doc_id. Query the database:

- a. Identify the name of the fixed content device in Enterprise Manager:
 - Start Enterprise Manager.
 - Select Fixed Content Devices.
 - iii. Right-click the desired Fixed content Device.
 - iv. Click Properties.
 - v. Note the GUID in the ID field. See Figure 10-28 on page 311.

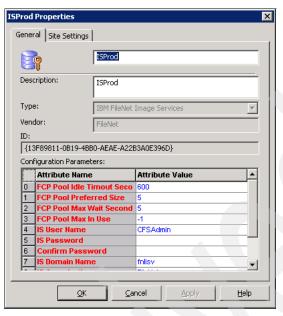


Figure 10-28 Fixed content device GUID

In our example, the GUID is {13F89811-0B19-4BB0-AEAE-A22B3A0E396D}

b. In the third segment of the GUID, replace the number 4 with a 5:

Before: {13F89811-0B19-4BB0-AEAE-A22B3A0E396D} After: {13F89811-0B19-5BB0-AEAE-A22B3A0E396D}

► Convert the Image Services doc_id to hexidecimal value with Windows Calculator or other tool:

Decimal: 1406012 Hexidecimal: 15743C

Add zeros to the beginning of the hex value so that you have eight digits:

Before: 15743C After: **00**15743C

Replace the first segment of the FCD GUID with the result of the doc_id in hex:

Before: {13F89811-0B19-**5**BB0-AEAE-A22B3A0E396D} After: {**0015743C**-0B19-**5**BB0-AEAE-A22B3A0E396D}

The resulting GUID is how the Content Engine stores the federated Image Services document.

▶ Use Enterprise Manager to search for this GUID in the ID field. See Figure 10-29.

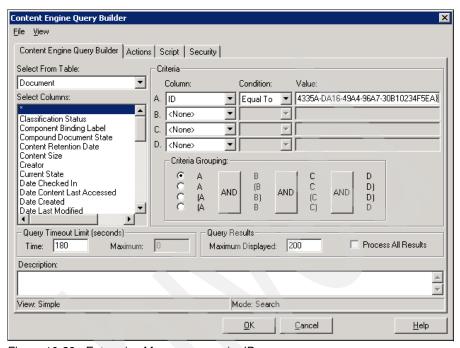


Figure 10-29 Enterprise Manager query by ID

If you determine that documents in Image Services are not in Content Engine, you can re-export the documents using the Image Services Remote Admin Console.

Content Engine to Image Services

Determine whether the most recent federated CFS-IS documents are in Content Engine, use the Content Engine Consistent Checker:

- Log in to a Windows system where Consistency Checker is installed, typically the same location as Enterprise Manager. Select Start → Programs → IBM FileNet P8 Platform → FileNet Consistency Checker.
- Click Select Domain.
- 3. Select an existing P8 domain or add a new one.
- 4. In the domain window, enter the login and password information and click **Test Connection**, and then click **OK**.

- The storage areas in the P8 domain are listed. Select the storage area that is configured for CFS-IS. In our example, the storage area is named ISProd_OS2_sa.
- 6. Limit the documents that are checked to the last two days:
 - a. Click File → Options.
 - b. Select either the **Validate by Date Created** or **Validate by Date Modified** button. See Figure 10-30.
 - c. Specify a Starting Date / Time of two days ago.
 - d. Specify the current date and time for **Ending Date / Time**.

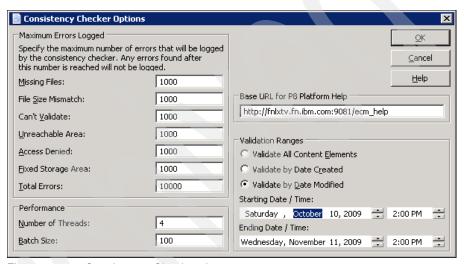


Figure 10-30 Consistency Checker date range

- 7. Click OK.
- Click File → Validate Storage Areas, or click the green arrow at the top left of the window, and then click Start. If you have previously checked the selected storage area, you are prompted to run it again. Click Yes.





Working with IBM Information Archive

So far in this book, we describe implementation details for setting up a disaster recovery solution for IBM FileNet P8 Version 4.5.1 systems. We also address system testing and validation for disaster recovery. If your system has a compliance requirement for some of the content, you can use IBM Information Archive as a fixed storage area for this type of content. In this chapter, we briefly describe how to set up the Information Archive appliance for a FileNet P8 system, in association with the disaster recovery topic.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- Setting up an IBM Information Archive appliance
- ► IBM Information Archive failover scenarios

11.1 Setting up an IBM Information Archive appliance

The IBM Information Archive appliance includes features that enable it to play a role in a disaster recovery plan. An important feature is that one Information Archive system can be set up to replicate stored data to another Information Archive system. This replication is specific to the Information Archive systems, and it runs along with the more general replication of shared storage, which was set up in 9.5, "Enabling PROD to DR replication" on page 261.

We do not address all issues of installing an Information Archive system, because that is outside the scope of this book. However, we do focus attention to certain configuration features that are important when using Information Archive systems in a disaster recovery solution.

The *Information Archive Introduction and Planning Guide*, SC27-2324, includes an Initial configuration worksheet. This worksheet collects all the configuration information that is needed by the person installing the Information Archive systems. Table 11-1 on page 317 shows the completed worksheet that we used to build our test environment.

Note the following configuration options:

- Enhanced Tamper Protection: This feature prevents the system super user from going around the protections that are applied to stored documents. Therefore, this feature is normally enabled in a production environment. However, after the feature is enabled, it cannot be turned off again. We therefore choose to delay enabling it until we are confident that our systems are set up properly.
- ► IP Settings: To perform replication, each Information Archive system must be able to access the Information Archive system in the other environment. Be sure to assign addresses that are usable across environments.
 - Where private IP addressing is being used, a temptation is to use the same address in each environment, to keep things similar; however, doing so can prevent the connections that are necessary for replication.
- SSAM collection: The Information Archive systems are configured to present an SSAM interface. This is how Information Archive provides the Tivoli Storage Manager API, which FileNet P8 uses to archive and retrieve documents on a fixed content device.

Table 11-1 Initial configuration work sheet

	PROD environment	DR environment
General		
Appliance name	fnliaprod	fnliadr
Description (optional)	PROD Information Archive	DR Information Archive
Time (NTP) server (default: internal)	internal	internal
File archive document collections	No	No
SSAM document collections	Yes	Yes
Domain name	fn.ibm.com	fn.ibm.com
Subnet mask	/24	/24
Default gateway	192.168.100.60	10.0.200.60
Primary DNS server	192.168.100.61	10.0.200.61
Enhanced Tamper Protection		
	Do not enable	Do not enable
Security - System Passwords		•
iaadmin	(your password)	(your password)
iscadmin	(your password)	(your password)
IP Settings		
IP addresses required for both		
Management Console server	192.168.100.141	10.0.200.141
Remote Support Manager for Storage server	192.168.100.142	10.0.200.142
ianode 1	192.168.100.143	10.0.200.143
ianode 2	192.168.100.144	10.0.200.144
ianode 3	192.168.100.145	10.0.200.145
Additional IP addresses required only for file archive collections		
	N/A	N/A
Additional IP addresses required or	ly for SSAM collections	

	PROD environment	DR environment
SSAM collection 1	192.168.100.146	10.0.200.146
SSAM collection 2	N/A	N/A
SSAM collection 3	N/A	N/A
LDAP Settings		
	N/A	N/A
Notification Method		
E-mail	No	No
SNMP	No	No
Number of days to retain event records	60	60

11.2 IBM Information Archive failover scenarios

An Information Archive appliance can be involved in failovers at multiple levels. In this section we describe Information Archive's role in a full disaster recovery site failover, and demonstrate how to use a replicated Information Archive system from a regular production environment.

11.2.1 Information Archive in a full site failover

For the purpose of this book, our FileNet P8 lab systems are configured for a conventional disaster recovery design, in which there is one Information Archive system in the production environment (PROD) and one Information Archive system in the disaster recovery (DR) environment. The PROD Information Archive system replicates its data to the DR Information Archive system. This replication is handled by the Information Archive systems, and is separate from the replication of shared data, described in 9.5, "Enabling PROD to DR replication" on page 261.

In each environment, the servers that access the Information Archive system use the shared virtual host name so that each server connects to the correct Information Archive system, that is, the Information Archive system in that server's environment. Virtual host names are discussed in 7.2.3, "DNS and host table entries" on page 150.

When a disaster is declared and a full site failover is performed, the Information Archive system in the DR environment must be brought into active service along with the other servers in the DR environment. If global DNS is being used for host name resolution, the virtual host name must be pointed to the DR system, as is done for the other hosts in the environment. After Content Engine starts running, you verify access to the documents stored on the fixed content device (for example, using Enterprise Manager).

11.2.2 Component-level failover of Information Archive

Full site-level failover, as described in 11.2.1, "Information Archive in a full site failover" on page 318, is the most common use for a replicated Information Archive system. Less common is to use the disaster recovery Information Archive system from the production environment, but it is possible, and might be done if, for example, the production Information Archive system suffered a hardware failure. In this section, we demonstrate how to configure FileNet P8 to use another Information Archive server to show the operations involved.

Prior to failover, we assume that an object store is created with a fixed content storage area that is provided by the Information Archive system in the production environment. Some documents have been created in the object store.

When the Information Archive system in the production environment fails, the Information Archive system in the DR environment is brought up and made accessible. The steps in this process are beyond the scope of this book. See the Information Archive documentation for details.

When the Information Archive system in the DR environment is available, open Enterprise Manager, in the production environment, and view the object store. At first, the object store might seem to be working correctly (see Figure 11-1 on page 320). However, remember that there are two parts to a fixed storage area: the staging area (where content is uploaded prior to migration) and the fixed device (Information Archive and Tivoli Storage Manager in this case), as described in 4.1.7, "Fixed storage" on page 87.

The "OnLine" state being reported here is the status of the staging area (which has a zero file count after they are migrated).

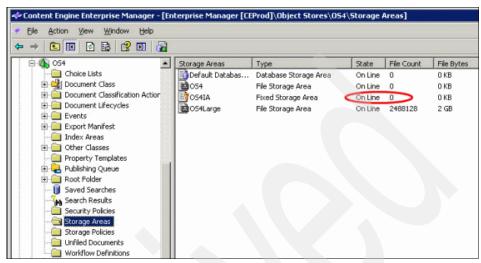


Figure 11-1 FCD status in FEM

If you attempt to alter the fixed content device, or retrieve content of a document stored on the fixed content device, it will fail.

For example, when we browse into the object store and double-click a document, an error occurs, as shown in Figure 11-2 on page 321.

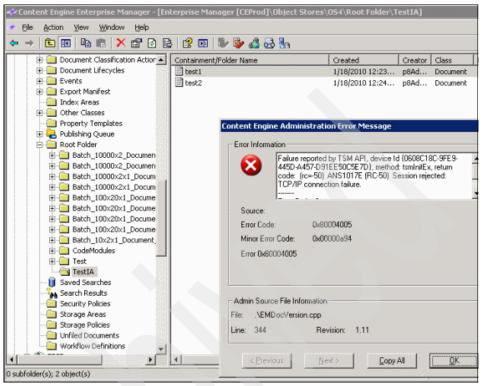


Figure 11-2 Enterprise Manager error accessing content from old FCD

To configure the production Content Engine to use the DR Information Archive system, perform the following steps (Figure 11-3 on page 322):

- 1. In Enterprise Manager, click **Fixed Content Devices** in the left panel.
- 2. From the right panel, right-click the fixed device, and select **Properties**.
- 3. In the Properties window, change the value for the IP Address attribute. In the example, we have changed it to the 10.0.200.146 address that is used by our DR Information Archive system.
- Click **OK** to accept the change.

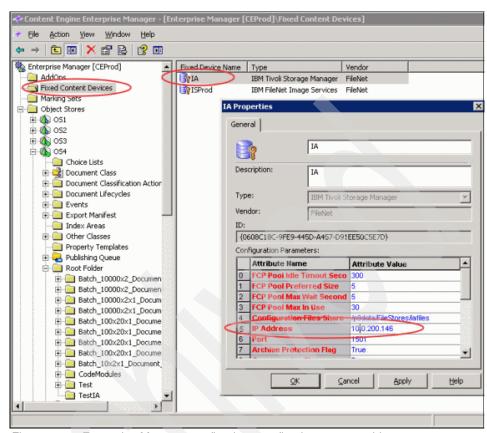


Figure 11-3 Enterprise Manager configuring new fixed content provider

To verify that access to the fixed content has been restored, browse back to the document we tried to open earlier. This time, double-clicking it retrieves the content and displays it in the appropriate application.

Related publications

The publications listed in this section are considered particularly suitable for a more detailed discussion of the topics covered in this book.

IBM Redbooks

For information about ordering these publications, see "How to get Redbooks" on page 324. Note that some of the documents referenced here may be available in softcopy only.

- ► Federated Content Management: Accessing Content from Disparate Repositories with IBM Content Federation Services and IBM Content Integrator, SG24-7742
- ► IBM FileNet Content Manager Implementation Best Practices and Recommendations, SG24-7547
- ▶ IBM FileNet P8 Platform and Architecture, SG24-7667
- ▶ IBM High Availability Solution for IBM FileNet P8 Systems, SG24-7700
- ► IBM Midrange System Storage Copy Services Guide, SG24-7822
- ► IBM Midrange System Storage Hardware Guide, SG24-7676
- ► IBM Midrange System Storage Implementation and Best Practices Guide, SG24-6363
- ► IBM System Storage Business Continuity: Part 1 Planning Guide, SG24-6547
- ► IBM System Storage DS4000 and Storage Manager V10.30, SG24-7010
- ▶ Introducing IBM FileNet Business Process Manager, SG24-7509
- ► WebSphere Application Server V6 System Management & Configuration Handbook, SG24-6451

Online resources

These Web sites are also relevant as further information sources:

 Product documentation for IBM FileNet P8 Platform (including technical notices)

```
http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3278&uid=swg27010422
```

► IBM System Storage Product Guide, G325-3369

```
http://www.ibm.com/systems/resources/systems_storage_resource_pguide
  prodguidedisk.pdf
```

▶ IBM Disk Systems

```
http://www.ibm.com/systems/storage/disk/
```

Product Documentation for IBM FileNet Content Federation Services http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3318&uid=swg27010328

▶ Product documentation for IBM FileNet Image Services

```
http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=3283&uid=swg27010558
```

► IBM FileNet Content Federation Services for Image Services Planning and Configuration Guide

```
ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/software/data/cm/filenet/docs/cfsdoc/is/4
5x/cfs guide.pdf
```

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